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ALLEN IS REMOVED BY MAYOR THOMAS.

Judge Wood Will Hereafter Preside in the Oakland Police Court.

A COMPLETE SURPRISE IS SPRUNG.

Action of the Ministerial Union May Be Responsible for the Very Sudden Change.

Mayor W. R. Thomas this morning revoked the appointment of J. J. Allen as Police Judge of the city and appointed City Justice Fred V. Wood to fill the vacancy. The new order of things begins on the 1st of January.

The change was a complete surprise to every one at the City Hall and was as much a surprise to the two justices as to any one else.

Shortly after Mayor Davie went out of office last spring, he revoked the appointment of Wood, then the Police Judge, and appointed Allen to the place. It was expected then that when Mayor Thomas went into office that he would reappoint Wood, but the Mayor said he saw no reason for making the change and Allen was allowed to remain.

There has always been considerable rivalry between Allen and Wood. Two city justices are elected in this city and one of them is designated Police Judge by the Mayor. The justices have been alternated several times.

The only advantage of the Police Judge over the City Justice is that the judge has the appointment of the clerk and stenographer of the court.

When Allen was appointed by Mayor Davie last April, he removed Clerk Tom Crawford and Stenographer Eugene Vancourt and appointed Will J. Hennessey and Phil M. Walsh to the respective vacancies. The appointment of Hennessey and Walsh was for two years and Judge Wood will not have the power to remove them.

For some time there has been considerable grumbling in the police department over what is alleged to be Allen's friendship for the prisoners and the Civic Reform League and Ministerial Union have taken the matter up. At a recent meeting of the former organization Giles H. Gray made the statement that from one-fourth to one-third of the cases in the Police Court were dismissed and that the officers of the law found it difficult to secure convictions. Dr. Dille also spoke on the subject and a committee composed of John T. Bell, Myron T. Holcomb, Rosecoe S. and Giles H. Gray and Hanford B. Griffith, was appointed to inquire into the charges. It is evident that the recent agitation had some effect upon the Mayor.

In speaking of the matter today Mayor Thomas said:

"Judge Allen has now been Police Judge since the first of last April and I think there should be a change. When I first came into the Mayor's office I tried to get Allen and Wood to agree to alternate in the office, each man sitting in the Police Court a month. This scheme did not meet with Allen's approval, although Judge Wood seemed willing to enter into the agreement.

"I think each man should have a chance in the office and as Allen has now occupied the office for several months, I deem it desirable that there should be a change.

"There is no political aspect to the case. Both men are Republicans and that is the party to which I owe my own election. I have heard the rumors that Judge Allen was rather lax in his decisions, but that had little to do with my action, although I knew that there would be a good deal of trouble caused if I kept Allen in the place.

"There will be no contest. I have seen Judge Allen and talked the matter over with him. He says he would be just as satisfied as city justice as he would be as a police judge, if the former office had the same share of patronage.

"However, my action today will not interfere with Judge Allen's appointments, as his men were appointed to serve two years. I have given my action deliberate consideration and I have acted for what I believed to be the best interests of the city."

Judge Allen was reticent when seen by a Tribune reporter.

"There is really very little to be said," he began. "The Mayor has the power to designate which of the City Justices shall preside over the Police Court. The Mayor has seen fit to remove me and appoint Judge Wood, and that settles everything. The only advantage I had over Judge Wood was the naming of a clerk and a stenographer, and they cannot be removed. Our salaries are the same.

"I would much prefer not to say anything about the action of the Ministerial Union. There have been no specific charges made, and general opposition, I believe, should be met with a dignified silence. If they would make some specific charge, I could answer them."

Upon being pressed to make some statement in regard to the charges, Judge Allen reluctantly turned to the books of the Police Court.

"Would it not have been well," he said, for them to have come to these books and compared my sentences with those of my predecessor before making so much of the matter? I know who has furnished the figures, and I know just who is making, or trying to make, political capital out of the charges, but of course I can say nothing in that respect.

"Here is a page of the book which I choose at random. It happens to be Judge Wood's record. On the page there are ten cases. Two were continued, two were fined and six had their judgments suspended. Here is a page of mine, also chosen at random. Of the eight cases, four are fined, one is continued and three are dismissed. A comparison, however, is unfair. No two cases are alike.

"Many cases should be dismissed, many should not. Who knows the merits of the case better than an impartial judge? Figures do not count in the matter of justice. I do not dispose of my cases by clock-work nor by mathematics. I have never regretted a decision I have given."

The following figures are given as a sample of the disposal of cases by the two Judges: In May, 1896, there were 327 arrests. Seventy-seven of those were either dismissed, found not guilty or judgment was suspended by Judge Wood. In May, 1897, there were 218 arrests and thirty of them were not punished by Judge Allen.

In June, 1896, Judge Wood dismissed fifty-six of the 258 cases, and in June, 1897, Judge Allen dismissed twenty-four of the 205 cases.

In July, 1896, Judge Wood dismissed seventy-nine of the 253 cases, and in July, 1897, Judge Allen dismissed fifty-three of the 235 cases.

GETTING READY FOR INTERVENTION.

Spanish Newspapers See the Great Necessity of a Big Loan.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

MADRID, Dec. 9.—At a cabinet council to-day, the Queen Regent presiding, Senor Sagasta outlined the opinion of the European press regarding President McKinley's message, the majority of which was favorable to Spain. He further declared that, in the event of the United States attempting to intervene in Cuba it would find the government prepared to defend the rights and honor of Spain.

As to the military operations in Cuba, the Premier informed the cabinet that the results obtained were satisfactory. The Premier also said he did not attach much importance to the "attitude of certain Senators."

STILL TALKING ON M'KINLEY'S MESSAGE.

Spain's Cabinet Does Not Want America to Interfere With Cuba.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

MADRID, Dec. 9.—The Imparcial says to-day that it takes it for granted that the government will make preparations to meet intervention threatened by President McKinley, adding:

"If the new loan for the re-organization of the navy is floated, it is sure to succeed. The responsibility of the government is enormous if it fails to profit by the opportunity offered to place the country in a position to defend its interests."

The El Globe confirms the reports that the government is "making preparations to meet the intervention."

TODAY'S RACES.

(Special to The Tribune.)

INGLESIDE TRACK, Dec. 9.—The results of today's races were as follows:

First race—Odds On, 2½ to 1; Prestar, 3 to 1; Flushington, 12 to 1.

Second race—Don Fulano, 9 to 5; Gartland Barr, 2 to 1; Benamela, 12 to 1.

Died of Typhoid Fever.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Mr. Osborne McK. Kavanagh, third secretary of the British Embassy, died to-day of typhoid fever. Mr. Kavanagh arrived in Washington last January having been transferred to Washington from Stockholm.

He was the son of a former well-known member of the British Parliament. His mother is on her way to America on the steamship Umbria.

Miners and a Scale.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 9.—The Belleville miners held a meeting yesterday in East St. Louis, and agreed to stand by the Springfield scale. A number of delegates to the National Coal Miners' Convention in Ohio were appointed.

STILL RIDING EVEN WHILE TAKING SLEEP.

Peculiar Experience at the Great Cycling Contest.

ONE BAD SMASH-UP.

Half a Dozen Riders Mix Up on the Track But None Are Badly Injured.

SOME GREAT RECORDS MADE.

General Belief That Hale Has Saved Himself and May Be a Winner.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—The early hours of the fifth day of the great six days' bicycle race showed eighteen men still pedalling away for honor and profit. They were all seemingly determined with the possible exception of Stephane who had developed a case of stubbornness which his trainer had a time in combatting. The motion of the wheel is beginning to affect the rider's brains and even in the fitful snatches of sleep which they allow themselves, they imagine they are still riding. The men must be forced to sleep in most instances by the trainers.

The wonderful endurance of the men is best shown by the actual time spent in sleep by the leaders. Miller had slept just one hour and six minutes in the first 72 hours of the race. Rivierre rode 1,124 miles without a wink of sleep and he then took 2 hours. Waller had slept 3 hours, Rice 5, Moore 6, Pierce 6½, Golden 9, and Stephane 7 hours in the same time. Dikes made 1,000 miles in the first 72 hours despite the fact that he had slept 20 hours. Pierce, who has been particularly unfortunate, fell at 2 o'clock this morning and Moore ascended so high on the track that he slipped down to the curb. Both were uninjured.

The pace during the morning was terrific. Waller, about 1 o'clock set the ball rolling and kept it up for three hours. Miller, who had been sleeping, jumped in behind as soon as he had returned to the track and both men raced around the track lap after lap. Hale let himself out in dead earnest this morning. Beginning about 2 o'clock he reeled off lap after lap at such a pace that Rivierre who took the pace from him, had to drop out. Hale, it is claimed, is just beginning to show his true form and will be heard from at the finish.

At 10:15 there was a bad collision. Rice was setting the pace with Schineer and Rivierre sprinting behind. Schineer and Rivierre started to pass the leader. The former's wheel swerved toward the outside and collided with Rivierre's. Both riders fell. Enterman, Pierce, Moore, and King, riding behind in a close bunch, could not steer clear of the fallen men. Pierce struck Schineer and fell, carrying the others with him. Pierce and Schineer were carried to their quarters but after being rubbed for a few minutes, both remounted and amid the cheers of the crowd again set out on their long ride. The others had meanwhile resumed their places in the race. All of the riders were pretty badly shaken up but none badly hurt.

BUTTE MINERS IN SIGHT OF GOLD.

A Heavy Strike Said to Have Been Made in the Low Land.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

BUTTE, Mont., Dec. 9.—Reports from the Low Land mining district are that a rich strike of gold and silver quartz has been made in the Ruby mine and that over $1,000,000 worth of ore is in sight. The owners are taking out over $2,000 a day. The property was purchased last summer from Adolph Moudenhauer of San Francisco for $90,000, the principal owner being M. E. Graves, a New York man.

Diamonds and Jewelry at Auction.

S. Lathrop will offer at public auction, December 10th, at 2 P. M., the largest stock of solid silver, diamonds, watches and jewelry in the city.

The Avoca Is Safe.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

CAPE TOWN, Dec. 9.—The British troop ship Avoca with about 1,000 men on board from Jamaica for this port has arrived here safely. A rumor prevailed in Halifax yesterday that the Avoca had foundered, but the report was not credited in London.

THEO. DURRANT AGAIN FACES THE DEADLY NOOSE.

The Supreme Court Sets Aside All of His Appeals.

TO BE SENTENCED AGAIN.

A Precedent Established That Ten Days Must Be Allowed for an Appeal.

THE DEFENDANT'S NEXT MOVE

A Motion for Another Sentence Will Be Made Monday Next in Judge Bahr's Court.

The Supreme Court of the State has spoken on the appeals taken in the matter of Durrant's death sentence. It has brushed away all of them and has ordered the case back to the Superior Court so that sentence may again be passed upon the convicted murderer. Thirty days may then elapse before the prisoner may be executed.

The court was divided in its views, a majority opinion being handed down by Chief Justice Beatty, concurred in by Associate Justices Henshaw, Temple, McFarland, and Harrison, a dissentient opinion being given by Justice Garroutte.

One of the features, however, which the majority opinion disposed of was that ten days must elapse before the passing of sentence of execution and the carrying out of that sentence, in order to give the accused time in which to appeal to the Supreme court from the sentence.

This decision is a flat contradiction of Judge Bahrs' act of the Superior Court and serves as a precedent that, in all cases hereafter, the rights of the convicted murderer will include a delay of the time specified in which to enable him to make another attempt to save his life.

The question now arises, what will Durrant's attorneys do after their client shall have been sentenced again? This decision would seem to embolden them to take still another appeal, while on the other hand, the sweeping manner in which all their other points on appeal have been brushed aside by the highest tribunal, would seem to argue that it would be difficult, indeed, for them to suggest a point upon which another appeal would have a beneficial effect upon the case of their client.

Among the points disposed of and upon which the defense pretended to place the greatest hope was that the absence of Attorney Dickinson on April 10th, when Durrant was sentenced, furnished no ground for appeal, Deuprey being present and perfectly capable of representing the defendant.

Next, there was no error when the Court took judicial notice of the judgment and its legal effect. The burden was on the defendant to show any legal cause why the judgment should not be executed.

The Supreme Court also brushes away Deuprey's pet contention that imprisonment in the penitentiary, with execution at the end of it, is a double judgment. While a direction to keep the defendant in close confinement may have no proper place in a judgment, it is superfluous and harmless, imprisonment being a distinct part of the punishment for murder prescribed by law. It is further decided that the lower court did not err in refusing a certificate of probable cause.

Incidentally, the attorneys for Durrant are scored because they obviously cared nothing for the merits of their appeals, but were anxious only to obstruct the calendar and gain delay. "The rules of the calendar," say the Justices, "are designed to expedite, not to delay, the decision of causes."

The Supreme Court also decides that a Superior Court cannot pronounce a legal sentence until it receives a remittitur, signifying that the appeal has been dismissed in the United States Supreme Court. Telegrams from an absent Attorney General and newspaper reports are not enough; there must be official information.

In his dissenting opinion, Justice Garroute upholds the Attorney General's position, and, while his brethren are busy scoring everybody else, he pours a little hot shot into the Court itself.

"The particular dates fixed for the execution," says Justice Garroutte, "have long since gone by. A decision rendered upon them could not possibly affect the rights of the defendant. The position of the Attorney General is eminently sound, and the appeals should be dismissed. Under such circumstances, our time should be devoted to matters more substantial and material.

"The case stands," he says, "exactly as though a party should serve a sentence of 100 days in jail, and afterward appealed from a judgment of conviction. The Court would refuse to hear such an appeal upon the ground that there was no live material issue before it.

"The foregoing principles of law are fully supported by numerous decisions of this Court, and I rest the matter with a single citation. In Foster vs.

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WHEAT CAUSES EXCITEMENT AT CHICAGO.

Highest Mark Reached Since Old Hutch's Corner.

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LITTLE WHEAT TO SELL.

Market Prices Closed Very High for the December Wheat Supply.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—Amid considerable excitement, December wheat sold today at 109, the highest price with one exception since the memorable "Old Hutch" corner in 1888. The market started very nervous, bids at the start ranging all the way from $1.01½ to $1.04 and in a few minutes it sold up to $1.05. Trade was much broader than during the bulges of Monday and yesterday when the selling of not to exceed 50,000 bushels caused the market to quiet down.

Buying orders came from all parts of the pit, mostly for lots of 5,000 to 25,000 bushels but even for such small lots sellers were scarce and the market for the moment was apparently in danger of running away. Then the bull clique brokers came to the rescue but not until at least 250,000 bushels had been offered and eagerly taken, did the excitement die down.

At 11:45 shorts got on the rampage again. The market mean time had recovered to $1.05, having sold down to $1.03½. An attempt to buy a moderate line at that price revealed the fact that the market was bare. One dollar five and a half was bid with no takers. Then the market jumped one-half of a cent at a time to $1.08, and a little wheat dribbled out. Then back it went to $1.06¾, but in a moment it turned again, jumping to $1.09 in three bids. There the thoroughly frightened shorts were enabled to buy and the market quieted down, reacting to $1.07½.

There was apparently a general belief among traders that the December bulls intended to carry the deal in that option to the last extremity. This opinion was strengthened by the announcement that arrangements had been completely whereby all wheat will be shipped by rail as soon as delivered here, thus keeping the market bare. This announcement had great weight with shorts who for the first time displayed real anxiety. May wheat was very strong in sympathy, opening at 91½ and advanced at once to 92½. It subsequently reacted to 91¾ and ⅞, but with a very strong undertone. January sold up to 94 on the belief that January shorts will be in a bad way if the December clique moves away all the cash wheat.

The event of the season, "Love in Harness," by the Charity Company, Friday and Saturday evenings.

Weyler Likes It.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

MADRID, Dec. 9.—General Weyler is quoted from Barcelona as saying he considered President McKinley's hostility to be the most glorious compliment which could be paid him, "when coming from Spain's enemy." The General further remarked that he would make a statement in the Cortes in order to defend his policy.

Beautiful Holiday Gifts.

Finest stock of holiday gifts at public auction. S. Lathrop, 1009 Broadway. Commencing December 10th at 2 P. M.

Sewer Gas Explodes.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

LONDON, Dec. 9.—An explosion of sewer gas which tore up the street and shattered windows and damaged a house adjoining that of the United States Ambassador, John Hay, caused much excitement among the inhabitants of Carlton House Terrace to-day.

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By Associated Press to The Tribune.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Dec. 9.—The Bee to-night will publish a complete history of Chas. E. Jackson, who committed forgery in Oakland, claiming that he did it to get into the penitentiary to escape persecution for a past misdeed.

The Bee shows that Jackson has served two terms, instead of one, in the penitentiary; that the record of his crimes begins as far back as 1876; that he embezzled $3500 in McGregor, Iowa; that he embezzled $800 from a firm in Milwaukee; that he embezzled $500 from a firm in Denver, being sent to the penitentiary therefor; that he obtained $350 from S. B. Slight in this city under false pretenses and was sent to Folsom; that he obtained $35 from S. S. Tinkler of Oakland under false pretenses; that, after serving his term in Folsom, he came to Sacramento, pretended reformation and joined the Baptist Church; that while pretending to lead a Godly life, he embezzled $100 from the Congregational Church and $35 from the local council of the A. P. A.; that he obtained money from a widow and her daughter, members of the Baptist Church who had given him shelter; that this mother, a most excellent woman living in McGregor, Ia., dependent upon her son for support, had been sent to a home in Philadelphia by the charity of neighbors, never having received a cent from her son.

Jackson is now in the county jail and his sentence will not be passed upon him until Monday next when he is ordered to appear before Judge Ogden.

Jackson would, long since, have gone to the "pen" after having self-confessed his forgery here, had he not put forth a plaintive plea that he was persecuted and that he was willing to go to jail to avoid that persecution. He alleged that he had committed the crime in order that he might be sent to the penitentiary.

This allegation and other actions of the man aroused sympathy for him, leading well-known citizens to believe that he was not a dishonest man at heart.

Judge Ogden was moved to compassion for him.

Dr. Dille's attention was directed to Jackson, and he immediately took steps to see what might be done to keep Jackson out of the penitentiary so that he might be able to lead a virtuous life.

Speaking on the subject, Dr. Dille said:

"It would seem that something should be done to keep this man out of prison. I shall make an investigation at once, and after I have had a talk with the prisoner I shall be able to determine what course is best to pursue. I have no doubt he has been persecuted and hounded."

From the above record, vouched for by the Bee, it would seem that Jackson is a schemer and that it makes little difference to him whom he counts as his victims.

FITZSIMMONS' WIFE ON THE NEW FIGHT.

She Does Not Want to Stand in the Way of Her Husband.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 9.—It is almost a certainty now that Robert Fitzsimmons, the present champion pugilist of the world, and J. J. Corbett will meet in the roped arena to again battle and decide the question for all time. This fact was gained by a representative of the Evening Wisconsin, after an interview with Mrs. Fitzsimmons, who is in this city. This is the first time Mrs. Fitzsimmons has given expression to her thoughts in the matter since the fight at Carson. Before the contest last March, Fitzsimmons promised his wife he would never enter the ring again without her consent. While Mrs. Fitzsimmons does not come out openly and say there will be another battle, it can be readily seen that she is not anxious to put a block in the way of her husband as regards his plans for the future. In reply to a question put by the reporter whether she would give her consent, Mrs. Fitz replied:

"Well, really, that is a difficult question to answer, but I will say I do not care to stand in my husband's way. If he thinks it better to give Corbett another chance I may change my mind, but until I do, there is no prospect whatever of the two men meeting and all this talk about matches being arranged is without the slightest foundation."

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BRYAN'S STORY.

He Says He Got His Gun Into Action Before Cronin.

WHY HE KILLED THE DEPUTY.

Testimony of Mrs. Ross at Whose House the Accused Lived.

VERY PECULIAR TEMPERAMENT.

Pretended That He Was an Orphan When He Was Not.

In the trial of James Bryan for the killing of Deputy Constable Dennis Cronin, the defendant closed his testimony late yesterday.

Thomas Murphy, Thomas Glover and Will Riley, friends or acquaintances of the defendant, were called to testify in his behalf. They told of some unimportant actions and habits of Bryan which had led them to infer that he was not of exactly sound mind at all times. This line of evidence was going on when court adjourned until today.

James Findlay and D. H. Cuddy this morning gave similar testimony. Then Mrs. W. M. Murray, wife of the Sacramento horseman, told how Bryan had acted while residing in her house for several months.

Mrs. Murray said the defendant had represented that he was an orphan and homeless when he came to her. She took an interest in him as an orphan. Later, she learned that his mother was insane. Bryan was rough and eccentric when playing with other children, and witness thought he had a streak of insanity in his make-up.

Mrs. Mary C. Ross, at whose residence on Watts tract Bryan was living when he killed Cronin, was the next witness. She had known defendant since the 26th day of last March. Her son Gus Wilson was Bryan's close friend, and the defendant had told her Gus was her only friend.

Mrs. Ross described Bryan's hysterical condition when he drew $5 which she had of his money. He was crying, she said, and appeared irrational. Cried out that he was going away and they would never see him again. She thought something was wrong, but did not think Bryan was drunk. He was nervous, excited and shaking all over.

Bryan asked for his $5 and went away. It was then he went and purchased a pistol. He had asked where there was a hardware store.

On the night of the shooting of Cronin, Bryan came to Mrs. Ross' house at 8:30 o'clock. He was drunk and excited, and showed his pistol. He said he had come to say good-bye. He was so drunk that witness believed he did not know what he was doing. He first said he was "going to get Nigger Bob," meaning to shoot him. Then he was going to make Frank Farrier get down on his knees and apologize. Next he declared he was going to shoot Cronin and then kill himself.

Bryan went away, and late after the shooting came back, showed his pistol and a club, and, taking an empty cartridge from the pistol, said:

"That's the bullet that got Cronin! I've shot Cronin.

"Why did you do it?" he was asked.

"I wouldn't a done it," Bryan replied, only Cronin reached for his gun, but I got in first."

They took Bryan's club away from him. He kept his pistol and went out doors. Later, at 2:30 P. M., the officers came and arrested the defendant on the Ross premises.

A recess was taken to 1:30 P. M.

The sixteen-year-old daughter of Mrs. Ross was called as a witness this afternoon. She told of seeing Bryan at the Ross house in Watts' tract on the day of the killing and again that night. The first time he came was just at twilight. His condition, she said, was such as her mother had testified to. Bryan bid witness goodbye, held her hand and said she would never see him again. He was crying and trembling. Witness did not think of his being drunk. He went away.

Later at a little before 9 o'clock he returned and showed a policeman's club and a pistol. He announced he "had got Cronin," and pulling an empty cartridge from the pistol said:

"That is what did the work." The club was taken from Bryan. He was so drunk he could not stand steadily on his feet. He stood up against the wall most of the time, or sat in a chair. Then he went away.

Bryan was recalled by Judge Gibson to tell the financial condition of his people in the East, but an objection to this line of evidence was made and sustained.

Constable Cronin was recalled for cross-examination by Gibson.

"Are you hostile to this defendant?" questioned the attorney.

"No. I can't say that I am particularly hostile," replied Cronin.

"Haven't you employed special counsel to assist in prosecuting him?" asked Gibson.

Cronin replied that he had.

The defense announced its case closed.

The prosecution began rebuttal by calling Deputy Sheriff Charles White who denied that Constable Cronin had struck Maginnis.

NEW ORDINANCES.

The Mayor Awaits the City Attorney's Approval Before Signing Them.

Mayor Thomas this morning referred all the ordinances which are before him for approval, to the City Attorney. If Mr. Dow declares them to be legal the Mayor will sign them all this afternoon.

These ordinances are as follows:

Providing for the appointment of ten new men on the police force.

Providing for the suppression of nuisances and declaring stagnant water and offensive substances public nuisances.

Repealing the ordinance to open Cypress street.

Prohibiting the driving of cattle through the streets except by permission of the Mayor.

Defining the term "peddler" and giving dental agents permission to solicit in the city without taking out licenses.

A great show—at the Macdonough Theater Friday and Saturday evenings—Reliance Club Benefit.

HAWLEY WILL FIGHT HIS ENEMIES.

Files an Answer to the Suit Brought by His Wife's Relatives.

William E. Hawley, whose wife committed suicide according to a coroner's jury, but whose will when filed by the husband was opposed by her heirs, is determined to contest their opposition to the bitter end. To-day Hawley by his attorneys, Frank L. Coombs and H. M. Barstow, filed a general denial to the contest begun by the late Mrs. Hawley's Napa relatives.

Hawley asks that the issues raised by contestants to the probating of his wife's will be heard and determined at once.

THEO. DURRANT AGAIN FACES THE DEADLY NOOSE.

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Smith, 115 Cal., 611, the syllabus correctly declares the principle of the decision as follows: 'Where a temporary injunction granted to restrain a stockholder from voting an election of the directors of a corporation, * * and such injunction was dissolved prior to the election, an appeal taken from the order dissolving the injunction after the election had been held, raises only an abstract question and will be dismissed.' In the body of the opinion it is said: 'It thus appears that the parties to the litigation have no rights which can be affected by the reversal of the order, and the correctness of the order has become merely an abstract question.' And, again: 'If the order should be reversed, the Superior Court would have no function to perform in consequence of such reversal.' Upon sound reason the same principle necessarily applies to criminal cases.

"I see no material substantial purpose to be subserved by a dismissal of these appeals. As the case now stands, there is no legal reason to my knowledge why the trial court should not take steps to enforce its judgment. Yet such relief is asked by the Attorney General, and I see no possible objection to granting it."

District Attorney Barnes said that he would give notice to Durrant's attorneys to-day of his intention to move in Judge Bahrs' court on Monday next that Durrant be again produced in court for sentence. No notice to the defendant's attorneys is required in such a case, but Barnes will give it nevertheless. Durrant will probably be brought over on Wednesday or Thursday of next week, and it is said that Judge Bahrs will give him not less than thirty days time to prepare for death.

BARNES' VIEW OF DURRANT'S CASE.

He Will Show That the Sentence of Judge Murphy Has Not Been Carried Out.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 9.—District Attorney Barnes will tomorrow appear before Judge Bahrs and give notice that on Monday he will ask the court to set a date on which Theodore Durrant shall be brought from San Quentin to have the date of his execution on a charge of murder fixed.

"This is purely an ex parte matter, but I shall, through courtesy, give notice to the defendant and his attorneys," said the District Attorney this morning. "I shall base my motion on the records of the court. An affidavit will be filed setting forth the proceedings that have taken place and another will be produced showing that notwithstanding the death sentence by Judge Murphy of December 6, 1895, the defendant still lives. It will be set forth that Warden Hale has neglected to execute the judgment of the court. On that being shown and the affidavits being filed, the court will proceed to fix the date of the carrying out of the death penalty. While it has not been definitely determined, it is likely that arrangements will be made setting the date of execution for the last Friday of this month or the first Friday of the year 1898.

His Horse Fell.

John Martinez, a young man from Orinda Park, was riding an unshod horse on Washington street today, when the animal slipped and fell, throwing Martinez to the pavement.

Chief of Police Lloyd was passing along at the time, and carried Martinez to a near by drug store, where the young man's wounds, consisting of a bruised and lacerated head, were treated.

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HENNICKER CAN MIND HIS BUSINESS.

Close of a Contest That Has Been Fruitful of Sensations.

He Cannot Now Give Away His Property for a Pittance.

What promises to be the final chapter in the Hennicker estate was turned today. The accounts of ex-Guardian Bromley were filed and approved. His substitution of the restored Nicholas Hennicker to competency and as plaintiff in a suit against George Cashmore and wife, were also placed on record. Then Hennicker by his attorney asked to have the suit against the Cashmores dismissed. It was so ordered.

The whole proceedings over old man Hennicker's affairs have been marked with more or less sensational features. He was adjudged incompetent when it was found that he had given away or made a 50-years' lease for a dollar of valuable property. The attorney who had at first resisted his being declared incompetent acquiesced and was immediately engaged as counsel for the guardian. Then charges and counter charges relating to Hennicker's dealings with the Cashmores were made. Finally, Hennicker applied to be restored to capacity, and after a trial by jury he was declared competent and now he is supposed to be again directing his own affairs.

It is learned, however, that his attorneys have arranged that Hennicker shall decide no more business deals affecting his property interests except in the presence of a third party.

COURT NEWS

J. H. Young has filed an amended complaint in which he charges W. E. Goldsworthy with retaining $500 given to him under a contract by which the latter agreed to go to the Cloudyke mines, obtain claims and give Young a half interest.

F. W. Du Bois has been appointed administrator of the estate of Nellie Applegate, deceased.

Jacob Joolim has applied for letters on the estate of his deceased wife, Mary Joolim, who left four lots in Monterey valued at $1,250.

Judge Hall has appointed A. H. Breed, R. M. Anthony, and J. B. Langtree to view the Poulson homestead at Fruitvale, ascertain if it is worth more than $5,000; if so, if it can be divided without material injury, and make report of their proceedings to the court. Attorney J. H. Smith secured this order that he may recover money alleged to be due him for legal services to the widow of Count Poulson.

A FRUITVALE BAZAAR.

The Congregational Church to Open One This Evening.

The King's Daughters of the Fruitvale Congregational chapel will give a bazaar tonight and tomorrow afternoon and evening. There will be some very pretty booths, including two tables of fancy work, candy, tea, plants and flowers and ice cream booths. The little chapel is very picturesque and the bazaar will be a very pretty affair. It is located on Fruitvale avenue near Thirteenth street. The management is under one head, as the membership is too limited to allow of Ladies' Aid Societies and similar organizations customary in a larger church. Mrs. Irwin is president of the Daughters. Among those who will have charge of booths are Mrs. Farnum, Mrs. Wetherbee, Mrs. Morrison, Mrs. Grafferman, Mrs. Finklestedt, Mrs. Steiniger. Enjoyable programmes will be rendered both evenings. The California Mandolin Club, Mrs. Howard Bray, Miss French, Mrs. Dingley, Miss Steiniger and Miss Finklestedt, who sing a duet, and Miss Bennett are among those who will assist in entertaining visitors.

HAD ONLY PENSION MONEY.

Valentine Viers Spends His Cash and Is Tried for Contempt.

A short time ago a suit was commenced against Valentine Viers by A. Hobson on a demand for $39 for merchandise.

Hobson brought Viers up in Justice Woods' court on an order of examination. Viers said he had only $12 in his pocket, which constituted pension money that he had just received. Hobson made a demand for it, and his attorney said he was entitled to it. Justice Wood gave no opinion, but told Viers to hold the money and not spend it and ordered him to appear in court yesterday. Justice Wood explained that most States have a law providing that pension money is exempt and not subject to attachment or seizure when in the hands of any other person but that of the pensioner. California has no such law. However, Viers, instead of appearing in court yesterday, went on a spree and spent his money.

Justice Wood decided that the pension money was exempt, but sentenced Viers to one day in the county jail for contempt of court in not appearing.

ST. PATRICK'S FAIR'S LATEST ATTRACTION.

An Excellent Programme Outlined for This Evening's Entertainment.

To-night there will be another grand programme rendered at the fair in Hansen Hall for the benefit of St. Patrick's Church. The scholars of the convent connected with the church will be present and the exercises in which they will take part and which will afford pleasure to those who attend, will be on a par with those of any of the programmes which have thus far been given during this series of entertainments. The residents of West Oakland, irrespective of church affiliations, are invited to be present and are guaranteed a hospitable reception by Rev. J. B. McNally, the pastor, and those who are assisting him in the undertaking.

WILL WORK FOR A LATER BOAT.

Board of Trade May Send a Request to the Railroad Company.

More Facilities for Travel Would Increase the Bulk of Travelers.

Some members of the Board of Trade are considering the advisability of taking action on a proposition to try and secure an extension of the ferry service. While believing that there is no necessity at present for an all-night boat service, there is an idea prevalent that 11:45 P. M. is too early for the last train to leave this city for San Francisco.

It is considered to be only reasonable to ask the company to put on a train at 12:30 A. M. that would allow people to cross the bay after spending the evening here. From San Francisco the last boat now leaves at 12:15 A. M., and it is thought that there should be one at least half an hour later.

No action has yet been taken in the matter, but it is already under discussion and will be submitted to the railroad company as soon as possible.

"There is a general expression that there is need of another boat," said a member of the Board today, "but we do not see any use at present for all-night service. The point made that there is not, at present, any travel for a late train is without merit. There never will be till the train is put on, and then it will create travel. There are thousands of people who live more than half an hour's ride from the narrow gauge depot. To reach the train they must leave their friends' houses at 11:15 and this is altogether too early to break up social gatherings. There would be much more visiting between the two cities after dark if there were another boat. San Francisco and Oakland are cities in which there are hundreds of lodges, and yet there is but very little visiting between them, because of the early hour at which affairs must close. If an entertainment be given and is followed by a banquet 11:15 is altogether too early to break up, and there should certainly be an opportunity to get home after midnight. Certainly at this season of the year the last boat should be an hour later."

VENEZUELAN LINE TO BE SOON DETERMINED.

Briefs to Be Presented to the Commission on January 1st.

The Final Decision It Is Said Will Be Against Britain.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—A special to the Tribune from Washington says:

"The British and Venezuelan agents are hurrying to completion their briefs which must be presented, with all evidence and arguments by February 14th next to the arbitrators in the boundary dispute. The tribunal, which is considered fully organized, though its members have not met each other, will not assemble to receive the briefs, but it has been arranged by correspondence to hold sessions in Paris, beginning next July and the hope is expressed of being able to arrive at a decision before the arbitrators are compelled to adjourn for their other duties next September.

"The members are M. F. G. De Maertens, the Russian authority on international law, who is president; Chief Justice Fuller and Justice Brewer, for the United States, and Baron Herschell and Richard Henn-Collin for Great Britain. On or before February 14th copies of the briefs and evidence will be delivered to each of these judges and to the agents of both the disputing government, who will then have until May 14th to submit briefs in rebuttal, which will constitute the final documents in the case.

"The agent for Venezuela, ex-Minister Scruggs, declares that the researches undertaken by the commission appointed by President Cleveland, especially the investigations by Professor Burr, into the Dutch archives have proven invaluable and swept away all doubt as to the strength of Venezuela's contention."

A Peddler Arrested.

S. Leggeroni, a fish peddler, was arrested in East Oakland this morning by officer Billy Moore, on a charge of dumping refuse in the streets. Leggeroni was released on $25 bail.

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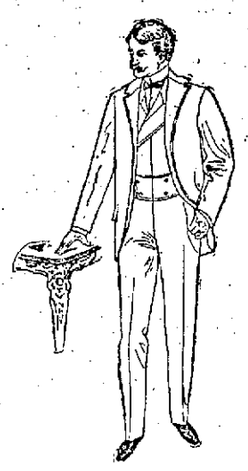

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ASSOCIATED CHARITIES.

Quarterly Meeting to Be Held Dec. 27th in East Oakland.

The regular monthly meeting of the directors of the Associated Charities was held last evening. Superintendent Mrs. Helen Kelly presented the following report:

"During the month of November, 1897, there were sixty-eight applications for relief. Of this number twenty-four were new family cases, fourteen new single cases, nineteen recurrent family cases and eleven recurrent single cases.

Referred to and assisted by the Oakland Benevolent Society, sixteen family cases and eleven single cases, representing a total of seventy persons.

Referred to and assisted by other societies, seven cases. The employment bureau found work for twenty-four persons. For day's work by these persons $54.50 was earned. Eighty-eight meal and lodging tickets were returned. The superintendent made 126 calls during the month.

The regular quarterly meeting of the association will be held December 27th in East Oakland. The directors have decided to hold the larger meetings in different parts of the city, that the work of the association may become known in all the parts of the city. Reports will be rendered by the affiliated societies, and an address by some prominent speaker may also be included in the evening's programme.

In order to extend the field of the society, meal and lodging tickets will shortly be issued on restaurants in East Oakland.

Divorces Are Asked.

Maria Gloria Soderberg has sued for divorce from John Soderberg on the ground of desertion.

H. W. Wesselhoft has begun an action for divorce from his wife Lizzie, alleging she has left him.

Got What He Wanted.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

BOSTON, Dec. 9.—Newell Payne, proprietor of a drug store on Tremont street, was assaulted last night and robbed of $1200 by an unknown man who entered his store about 11 o'clock. The robber drew a revolver with the remark: "I am a desperate man and want your money."

Mr. Payne resisted and was felled senseless. He will recover.

FURNITURE AUCTION SALE.

Elegant Piano, Furniture, Valuable Oil Paintings and Engravings, Moquet Carpets, etc., Friday, December 10th, at 10:30 A. M., at 1103 Alice Street, near Fourteenth, by J. L. Lyon.

Elegant mahogany upright piano, good as new, with music stand and stool to match, elegant mahogany and oak parlor sets in silk tapestry, costly coco-bolo center table, cherry pedestal, valuable oil paintings and engravings, easels, screens, costly clock, moquet carpets, real lace curtains, patent rockers, easy chairs, cherry and oak bookcase and books and elegant cherry sideboard, table and leather chairs, choice china, glass and plated ware, fine hat rack and hall chairs, four fine chamber suits, hair mattress and bedding, swinging mirror, fine range, kitchen utensils and very many other articles too numerous to mention. Fine residence to let.

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FOX & GRAY, Attorneys-at-Law, Pacific Mutual building, entrance 6, fourth floor, San Francisco.

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Had to Be Identified.

The old farmer's fingers were full of knots and fence-rail splinters, and he had to look over his spectacles for some time before he saw the paying teller at his window, but he managed to hand in the check he had been carrying wrapped in his red handkerchief, and stood waiting for his money, says the Detroit Free Press.

"You will have to be identified before we can pay this," said the teller.

The farmer stooped a little, stuck his head against the window grating and said explosively:

"Hey?"

The teller repeated his statement.

The old farmer took the check, folded it carefully with his big fingers, and then rubbed his gray chin whiskers thoughtfully.

"Have to be identified, do I?" he said, thoughtfully. "Lemme see; who knows me? Thar's Jim Patterson, but he lives 'way uptown. Why, say, this here's Carrin'ton's bank, ain't it?"

"This is the First National Bank," said the teller, "and Mr. Carrington is the cashier.

"Whar is he?"

"Second window to your right."

The old man stepped over to the cashier's window and rapped on it with his whipstock. The cashier, smooth, cool, distant, gray side-whiskered, confronted him.

"I want to git the money on this here check, and that slick young feller in the other pen said I would have to be indemnified."

"That is the rule," said the cashier. "You will have to bring some one in who knows you to vouch for your identity."

"Couldn't you do it?" asked the old man.

"Certainly not; unless I were acquainted with you."

The old farmer laughed so loudly that everybody in the bank looked around and listened.

"Why, 'smash all potato bugs! don't you remember 'Lias Crowder? I went to school with ye; lived next door to ye when you was plain Pete Carrin'ton 'stead o' P. Ellin'ton Carrin'ton, Esquire. I kin indemnify you if you can't indemnify me. 'Member that day when they had your pa up for stealin' wood, and me and you and Sam Piper chunked the constable with seed pertaters? 'Member how your ma used to lock you up on Saturdays when she used to go out to do the section gang's washin' and you——"

"It is all right, Mr. Crowder," said the cashier, turning a little red on his smoothly-shaven cheeks; "I did not recognize you at first. It has been a good many years since I have seen you. Step over to the teller's window, and your check will be paid."

"In a minute," said the old farmer, beaming with pleasure as he recalled the scenes of his youth. "Why, I could ov indemnified you if I'd met ye in Afriky. You never could look a feller straight in the face, and you've got that scar on your ear yet that old man Phillips gave ye when he caught ye tryin' to steal his best turkey."

"Yes, yes," said the cashier, hurriedly as he stirred things about on his desk and frowned deeply at some old envelopes; "those old times—yes, certainly—boyhood's days, childish sports, and all that sort of thing, to be sure—quite so, indeed. The teller is waiting to pay your check."

"I'm goin' in a minute. Why, talk about indemnifyin' Pete Carrin'ton, you want to hear me do it. Now I bet you don't 'member that day when—

"You'll have to excuse me, Mr. Crowder," said the cashier, prancing up and down in his cage and pretending to be looking for something, "I am very busy today."

"Yes, I'll excuse you," said the old farmer, leaning his elbows on the window. "I jest wanted to see how good I could indemnify you if I tried. Guess you find this kind ov work easier than peddlin' fertilizer in an ox cart, like you did the year your uncle Dick got mixed up in the train robbery, don't you?"

The cashier left his desk suddenly with an important-looking batch of papers in his hand and walked back into the private office. The old man stumped over to the teller again and handed his check between the bars.

"Pete says ye can pay it," he said. "Mr. P. Ellin'ton Carrin'ton's indemnified me and I've indemnified Pete. I could go on indemnifyin' him for two hours and a half if I wanted to, clean on down to the time he left Cedar Creek with that Punch and Juddy show. Gimme five ov it in silver."

QUERIES SENT OUT FROM STANFORD.

Trying to Solve the Convert's Testimony, "I am Saved."

Stanford University is trying to solve the problem of conversions as exemplified at evangelical meetings. It is believed that such experiences follow regular laws and queries have been sent out to all ministers and Salvation Army officers, asking personal questions regarding religious life.

The paper states that "the purpose of this research is to investigate that aspect of religion variously called sanctification, holiness, justification, perfection, second work or second experience." What is wanted is what has actually happened to parties personally along the lines suggested by certain questions.

The questions asked refer to the early religious training, whether it was strict or liberal, and whether the respondent ever had any intense religious experiences other than conversion or sanctification. An effort is made to find out from reliable people their feelings under various circumstances and how it affected their lives, whether making them happier or not.

It is sought to know by what agency or force the change in the experience was wrought and how it affected the attitude toward amusements, personal adornment, art secular books and papers, toward life, death, fellow-men, God, Christ, the church and the Bible. It is also asked, "Do fears of the future ever enter your mind or hopes of heaven spur you on?"

A request is made for personal experiences regarding the miraculous, such as unexplainable help in time of need, sickness or trouble; narrow escape from accident, calamity or death; revelation in dreams; punishment sent for evil thought or act and similar experiences.

When the answers are all received and classified the results will be made public, although those in charge of the work pledge themselves that all communication are strictly confidential and in no case will the writers' names be made public.

Oakland Bidders Win.

The bid of the Oakland Bank of Savings for $700 bonds of the Vineland School District, near Los Angeles, has been accepted, the premium being $39.

THE PRODUCE MARKET

WHEAT AND OTHER GRAINS.

Local quotations are as follows: $1.42½ for No. 1, $1.46¾ for choice and $1.45@1.47½ for extra choice for milling.

FLOUR AND MILLSTUFFS.

FLOUR—Net cash prices are: Family extras, $1.65@4.05; bakers' extras, $4.30@4.40 per bbl.

CORNMEAL, ETC.—Feed corn, $20.50@21 per ton; cracked corn, 21@22 per ton.

MILLSTUFFS—Prices in sacks are as follows: Graham flour, $3 per 100 lbs; rye flour, $2.50 per 100; rice flour, $5.75; cornmeal, $2.25; extra cream do, $3; oatmeal, $3.25; oat groats, $4; hominy, $3.10@3.30; buckwheat flour, $3.25@3.50; cracked wheat, $3.25; farina, $4.50; whole wheat flour, $3.25; rolled oats (bbls), $5.70@5.80, in sacks $3.75; pearl barley, $4; split peas, $3.50; green do, $4.25 per 100 lbs.

HAY AND FEEDSTUFFS.

BRAN—$17.50@18.50 per ton.
MIDDLINGS—$20.50@22.50 per ton.
FEEDSTUFFS—Rolled barley, $20@21; oilcake meal at the mill, $28.50@29.50 per ton; jobbing, $30.
HAY—Wheat, $12@14.50 per ton; wheat and oat, $11@13.50; oat, $10@12; barley, $10@12; compressed, $12@14; alfalfa, $8@9.50; stock, nominal; clover, $8@9.50 per ton.
STRAW—30@45c per bale.

SAN FRANCISCO MEAT MARKET.

BEEF—First quality, 6½@7c per lb; second do, 5½@6c; third do, 4@5c per lb.
VEAL—Large, 6@7c; small, 6@7c per lb.
MUTTON—Wethers, 6@7c; ewes, 6c per lb.
LAMB—Spring, 7@8c per lb.
PORK—3½c for large and 3¼@3½c for small and 3½c for medium; soft hogs, 2½@3c per lb; dressed do, 5@5½c.

BEANS AND SEEDS.

BEANS—Bayos, $2.25@2.40; small whites, $1.15@1.25; large whites, $1.07½@1.20; pinks, $1.50@1.60; reds, $1.25@1.40; blackeye, $1.70@1.85; red kidney, $1.75@2.25; limas, $1.60@1.75; butters, $1.35@1.50; pea, $1.25@1.40.
SEEDS—Brown mustard, $2.75@3 per ctl; yellow mustard, $2.25@2.75 per ctl; flax, $1.85@2; canary seed, 2¼@2¾c per lb; alfalfa, 6¾c; rape, 2@2¼c; hemp, 3c; timothy, 5½c.
DRIED PEAS—Niles, $1.25; green, $1.20@1.40 per ctl.

POTATOES, ONIONS, VEGETABLES.

POTATOES—Early Rose, 45@50c; river reds, 35@40c; river burbanks, 45@55c; Oregon burbanks, 40@50c; Salinas burbanks, 60@50c; sweet potatoes, 50@60c per ctl for rivers and 75@80c for Merced.
ONIONS—$1.40@1.60; pickle onions, 60@75c per sack.
VEGETABLES—Marrowfat squash, $8@10 per ton; hubbard squash, $8@10 per ton; fried peppers, 4@6c per lb; green peas, 3@6c per lb; string beans, 3@8c; dried okra, 12½c; cabbage, 60@75c per ctl; carrots, 25@30c per sack; garlic, 3½@4c per lb; tomatoes, 25@50c per box.

POULTRY AND GAME.

Live turkeys, 11@12½c for gobblers and 11@12½c for hens; dressed turkeys, 12½@15c; geese, per pair, $1.25@1.50; ducks, $3.50@4.50; hens, $3@4.50; roosters, young, $3.50@4; do, old, $3.50@4 per dozen; fryers, $3.50; broilers, $3.25@3.50 for large and $2.50@3 for small; pigeons, $1.50@1.75 per dozen for young and $1 for old.
GAME—Quail, per dozen, $1; mallard, $2.50@3; canvasback, 5@6; sprig, $1.50@2; teal, $1@1.25 per dozen; widgeon, $1.25@1.50; small duck, $1@1.25; gray geese, $2.25@2.50; white, $1@1.25; brant, $1.50@1.75; honkers, $4@4.50; English snipe, $1.50@1.75; jack snipe, $1; hare, $1; rabbits, $1.25@1.50 for cottontails and 75c@$1 for small.

BUTTER, CHEESE AND EGGS.

BUTTER—
CREAMERY — Fancy Creameries, 26@27½c; seconds, 24@25c per lb.
DAIRY—Choice to fancy, 23c per lb; lower grades, 16@22c.
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CREAMERY TUB—22½@23½c per lb.
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CHEESE — Choice mild new, 11@12c; common to good, 8@10c per lb; Cream, Cheddar, 11@12c; Young America, 12@12½c; Western, 11½@12c; Eastern, 12½@13½c per lb.
EGGS—Ranch eggs, 27½@32½c per doz; store eggs, 24@25c; Eastern, 22½c for fancy, 20c for firsts, 16c for seconds; duck eggs, nominal.

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UNION LABEL

THURSDAY.....DECEMBER 9, 1897.

San Francisco's messenger boys have been again distinguishing themselves by going out on strike. Needless to say, it was a "walk-out," and the pace is slow one.

A public office is occasionally a public "trust" in a new sense of the word, judging by the declarations by City Engineer Clement that the one he holds doesn't pay his expenses.

The crusade for clean streets being made by female Oakland is attracting the attention of the press all over the State and the ladies would blush if they could see the many nice things being said of them.

The stamping out of the stamp business goes on energetically. The attack made on it by the Merchants' Exchange added to the expressions of opinion in the Council will undoubtedly give it its quietus.

A war between the Chinese and the Greeks would be interesting in view of the fact that they both pursue the same tactics when under fire, that is to say, they both run away. It would probably develop into a sprinting contest.

For a town scarcely more than a year old, Emeryville is making a great showing. The latest streak of enterprise is contracting to have the streets lighted by electricity. Sidewalks and good streets are fast appearing, and if the present gait is kept up it will soon be one of the model towns of the State.

Emperor William doubtless chuckles to himself at the side slap he is giving to France by the humiliation of Hayti. The islanders were practically colonized by the French and everything there runs on those lines. However, as the place is an independent republic, now France, of course, is diplomatic enough to keep her mouth shut.

Don't forget the Tribune's oft-repeated advice. Guard against sneak thieves and porch climbers by locking your windows and doors when you go out. The increasing number of burglaries and thefts reported at the police station shows that there is need for extra caution at this time of the year when the Eastern crooks and tramps pour in.

The Hawaiian Royalists have been doing some good work judging by the announcement now made that the annexation treaty is many votes short of the number required to carry it. The "polled vote" that the Eastern papers were publishing a couple of weeks ago showing that the treaty was certain of victory was evidently founded on guesswork.

San Leandro should make the cannery a go this time. There are certainly enough fruit growers interested to capitalize the concern and as it would be located in the center of one of the most productive districts of the State, failure would be impossible. As a matter of fact, when they once get it going, the farmers will be kicking themselves because they went so long without it.

Ballington Booth of the Salvation Army sees great possibilities in the colonization plan being essayed in California. Theoretically, it would be a good idea to do as he says and establish colonies in every State where paupers could be sent and thus get an opportunity to become self-supporting, but put into practice the plan will fall far short of its mark. Too many paupers are in that condition from inclination instead of necessity and that is where the trouble comes in.

Those who are trying to get the United States to interfere in the Cuban dispute certainly will not gain anything at this time, no matter how many Congressmen are for or against the measure. President McKinley will unquestionably not be swerved from the stand he made in his message of giving Blanco an opportunity to show what he can do as regards autonomy, and the dogs of war will have to stay in their kennels for awhile, anyhow, and content themselves with barking.

It seems impossible to impress on the Indians that they must submit to the game laws passed by the States in which their reservations are located. It is, of course, instinctive with the red man to kill wild game, but as the State authorities do not propose to be building up preserves for their benefit, they have got to stop it. The chances are, though, that with the Utes anyhow the attempts to restrict them will result in another outbreak, for the braves are said to be all "on edge" and threaten to kill any game wardens who attempt to interfere with them.

DO YOUR HOLIDAY SHOPPING IN OAKLAND.

Now that the Christmas shopping season is at hand every citizen of Oakland should put into practice all the theories that have been advanced from time to time during the year regarding the advantages to be gained by patronizing home industries. It is time to break the habit that was formed during the days of necessity years ago, of crossing the bay to purchase Christmas present and those articles essential to the holiday season. That was all very well before our own business quarter developed the way it has but there certainly is no necessity for it now. In the Oakland stores can be found both variety and cheapness for the merchants realize that they have to compete with the metropolis, lay in stocks of goods that can hold their own with aught that can be displayed elsewhere.

The question of home pride too, should enter into this matter. Surely every Oaklander wishes to see the city prosper and grow and this it cannot do if it is continually gutted of the money that rightfully belongs to it. Everyone whose interests are in any way identified with the town should be in touch with the advancement of the mercantile elements of the community. The residence section cannot afford to ignore the business center and the trade interests are of course absolutely dependent on the homes. Co-operation means success to all and there should be no traitors to the common cause.

The ladies of Oakland have of late been showing their patriotism towards the town by the practical manner in which they have been entering into the various improvements that have been planned. Here is an opportunity that by which they can give vent to their fidelity to the community in the best manner possible. Let them do their holiday shopping in the Oakland stores and spend their money at home where it belongs. They will get just as good and as fulsome returns for their expenditures and they will have the satisfaction of knowing that they have given a helping hand to those who have established themselves in our midst and who have invested their capital in the belief that Oakland is capable and willing of supporting local enterprise.

This is the season of the year when robins come around, and hunters will do well to remember that the last Legislature protected these birds at all times. The statute is very explicit, for it declares that "every person who shall at any time hunt, shoot, shoot at, take, kill or destroy, buy, sell, give away, or have in his possession, except for the purpose of propagation, or for educational or scientific purposes, any English skylark, robin, canary, hummingbird, thrush, or mocking-bird, or any part of the skins or plumage thereof, or who shall rob the nests or take or destroy, or offer for sale the eggs of any of the said birds, is guilty of a misdemeanor."

When Senator "Lige" Hart of Sacramento was elected to the Supreme Bench there the Criminal element felt happy because he had been their attorney on numbers of occasions and they thought he would stand in with them. He has, however, proved the most severe judge to their element that has been on the bench there for years, and the same may be said of Judge Carroll Cook of San Francisco. The trouble for them is that the judges in question are cognizant of all their devious ways and hence cannot be duped.

Orange growers are aroused over the reports that some of the fruitmen are so anxious to reach the early Eastern markets that they are shipping unripe oranges out of the State. Such a practice cannot be too vigorously condemned, because it will take but a little of that sort of thing to lose the reputation we have established for our citrus productions. A similar trouble sprung up half a dozen years ago and it took the next three or four seasons to get rid of the black eye California then got.

Thirty-five years ago a Maryland man endorsed a note of $1000 for a friend, and as a result had to pay the money. He made a vow that he would never write again and he lost his vote at the recent election because the officials had learned of his ability to use a pen and hence refused to permit him to simply make this mark as had been his wont. His pledge may cause some awkward complications as regards his estate when he dies, because, of course, he is precluded from signing a will.

The reports that "Ben Hill is doomed" convey nothing new, for no one anticipated any other outcome of the appeal to the Supreme Court than the one that has occurred. The situation is not quite as black for him, though, as is generally imagined, for Governor Budd has signified his intention of giving the case a rehearing. As it is claimed that a great deal of new and important evidence in his behalf has been obtained, the tide may yet turn in his favor.

The single tax advocates who are endeavoring to work up meetings in this part of the State had better lay low for awhile if they want to befriend their champion, Judge Maguire. The least said about single tax until his Gubernatorial campaign is over, the better it will be for his prospects of success.

One of the benefits of annexation is being experienced by those residents of the newly-gained district who are of a literary turn of mind. They are availing themselves of the privileges of the Free Library in a way that shows they know a good thing when they see it.

The German Government has made a good record as a collection agency anyhow. Emil Lueders got his $30,000 in Hayti without even going into court, and the Chinese would be only too glad to pay their bill if the Kaiser will call his duns off.

VALUE OF GOOD STREETS.

While agitating the question of a public park, it must not be forgotten that the streets of a city are of as much importance as a public playground. Each in its place should occupy the attention and receive the encouragement of all progressive citizens.

Superintendent of Streets Miller has just made another effort in the right direction regarding good streets. He has selected several blocks of the very worst pavement in the city and he has sent to the property owners a letter stating his purpose to recommend to the Council that such streets be repaired. Of course, if a majority of the property owners protest nothing can be done, but it is hoped that civic pride will prevail and that the work will not be blocked. Much good work has been done on the streets during the past year and more will be done in the future if present plans be not opposed. The rebuilding of East Twelfth street marks the commencement of a new era of street improvements in Oakland and everybody who desires the city's progress should push the good work along. There is no better advertisement for any city that to have the reputation of being liberal in its policy of making and maintaining good streets.

The Los Angeles school bonds have been ignominiously defeated at the polls, the principal reason therefor being the scandal now existing in the Board of Education there. Of all departments connected with a city's government, that which has charge of the training of the young should be kept as pure as possible but down in Los Angeles according to the scandals and rumors that are flying about, it is a very nest of corruption. The Grand Jury has taken a hand in the matter by issuing indictments against those charged with blackmailing the employes.

There is no questioning the fact that this time the farmers are pleased at the rain. It gives them an opportunity to plough, and that is what they have been wanting for a couple of weeks past.

A negro coachman has eloped with a wealthy white girl of Sweet Springs, Missouri. The old adage might now be rewritten to read: "Love is color blind."

POINTERS ON DRESSING THE HAIR.

The hair of American women is something that attracts universal attention in London, because in England the women have scanty locks. Spread them out as they may, they never appear beautiful or glossy, but the Americans have a way of making the hair shine or "bloom," as it is sometimes called.

The Duchess of Craven has the most blooming hair in London. It is said that she keeps it so by rarely shampooing it. Each morning her glossy locks are spread over the back of a chair and shaken by a maid until each hair stands out separate from the others. A brush is then applied until the hair is glossy, and, finally, when it is done up, it shines like the sun.

Mrs. James Brown Potter, though not a titled American woman, has marvelous hair, made so by treatment. She shampoos it constantly until it always stands out from the head like an aureole. She does it up without a suspicion of curl or wave, yet it has the appearance of being very elaborately dressed. It lies in loose, natural coils upon the head.

The young Duchess of Marlborough has a forehead that is perfectly shaped. Its oval has never been equaled. This is not a natural oval, but a cultivated one, and was managed for her by the hairdresser of a New York establishment where she at one time attended school. This hairdresser cultivates the oval of the forehead, and was so successful in young Miss Vanderbilt's case that she has since tried it upon many of her patients. It consists in training the curves of the hair. Most people have over the forehead the most distressing points, which extend far back. Upon these bald places a little of the best hair restorer is rubbed daily until the hair begins to grow there, but in the middle of the forehead, where it grows down to a point, the hair is killed. This is done by a vigorous brushing, and, when finally all has disappeared except a few straggling hairs, these are killed by the electric needle.

Wanted to Cool Off.

A man went into an ice house to cool off.

An abrupt and impetuous hired man closed and locked the door and went away. The next day was Sunday and the hired man did not come back.

While the man who yearned to cool off waited for the return of the hired man his object was accomplished in a very thorough manner. He cooled off.

The muffled door gave back but echoes to his blows, and his voice could find no place to escape and sound the alarm.

When he grew tired of walking and swinging his arms to keep warm, the chunks of ice that were piled around him did not offer a tempting bed. Hunger gnawed at his vitals and refused to be satisfied with the diet of raw air. Darkness settled down like a six months' Arctic night, and the only sound which broke the profound stillness was the man who wanted to cool off trying to swear.

The hired man opened the door on Monday morning, and the man who wanted to cool off crawled out more dead than alive.

When his tongue had thawed out he began to abuse the hired man.

"Fool!" retorted the hired man. "Fool, you are a lucky dog and do not know it. Don't waste time in abusing me, your benefactor, but go and write a book of impressions on Alaska."

Then the man who wanted to cool off saw that his fortune was made.—Chicago Record.

Dr. Dille on Hawaii.

Dr. E. R. Dille will lecture on the Hawaiian question tonight at the First United Presbyterian Church, Eighteenth and Castro streets.

In addition to the exhibition of a large number of views never before exhibited in Oakland, the latest phases of the Hawaiian question will be discussed.

Agnew Is Training.

Lon Agnew has gone into training at the Acme Club, and feels confident that he will be in the very best of condition for his fight with McConnell next Tuesday night. McConnell is training in San Francisco under the direction of Alex Greggains.

FACTS WELL WORTH NOTING.

A glass plate will return to its exact original form after being kept under pressure in a bent condition for twenty-five years. Glass is the most perfect elastic substance in existence. Steel ranks next.

That bees are weather prophets, few who are accustomed to their habits can doubt. They seem to know a long time in advance whether the winter is to be mild or severe. While the old straw hives with two openings were used, the bees stopped up these entrances early in October whenever a severe winter was approaching, leaving room only for a minute passage of air. Beekeepers of all countries agree that when the bees do little or nothing to preserve themselves from the cold, the years have been marked by relatively mild winters.

Three months ago fifteen yards of silver wire, as large around as an ordinary hypodermic needle, were introduced and coiled within the aorta (the arterial channel leading from the heart) of Adrian Dehentoghe, a machinist of San Francisco. Surgeons say the operation has saved his life. The patient was suffering from aneurism or saculated tumor of the arterial wall. A rupture of the aorta was only a question of time. The wire was introduced to partly fill the abnormal sac and form a clot which would in time contract and be absorbed, restoring the channel to its normal condition.

Some eminent physicians believe many cases of appendicitis are due to abuse of the bicycle. Those who ride hard and in improper positions feel the strain chiefly in the region about the waist. It is that which comes on the night side that does the harm. When the appendix is in an enfeebled condition, unaccustomed and continued strain causes inflammation which sometimes brings on decay, producing a condition which constitutes the disease. Many, if not the majority of sufferers from appendicitis are young persons of vigorous constitution. The danger to bicycle riders only comes when they overdo the exercise.

It is expected that the new well—the deepest in the world—which will soon be completed near Pittsburg, will reach two miles into the earth. It is to be bored in the interest of science and is already more than one mile deep. Both oil and gas were struck in paying quantities a comparatively few feet below the surface. This gas is now being utilized for operating the drilling engines. Professor Haddock of Columbia College believes that a temperature of 228 degrees will be reached, and that an ample supply of natural steam will furnish the cheapest power available to man.

The Imperial Technical Institute in Charlottenburg announces some valuable results regarding the conductivity of cement—relating to the escape of current from cables and consequent destruction of gas pipes.

Resistance varying from 450 ohms for simple cement to 5,000 when proportion of sand mixed with cement was high, were presented by blocks forty centimeters long and 100 square centimeters cross area. It was also shown that the resistance of pure cement falls to one-half after some days' submersion in water, and that the resistance of cement with three times its weight of sand falls to one-tenth in two hours. Such material is dangerous to neighboring gas pipes when used as a basis for electric cables.

Stove-dried cement regains moisture more quickly than air-dried.

For a long time a gold fish variety of the carp family have occupied the basin of the city hall fountain at Phoenix, Arizona. Recently this was cleaned, and it appeared that the time selected was the breeding season, although there was no sign of fish roe or eggs. Many of the infant fish were fully formed, and darted around in search of food at the moment of their advent into their watery world. Others would have been tiny globular creatures but for the protruding eyes and nascent tail fin. Many specimens were collected for shipment to different experts, one lot going to the Smithsonian institution.

This discovery seems to settle a doubt which has troubled scientists—whether a vi-viparous kind of fish exists.

It appears that the tubercle bacillus itself is easily killed. It is a parasite which, according to Dr. Harold Bryer, needs much air and oxygen. It grows only on the surface of a culture as a white mold-like membrane. Shaken, it will sink to the bottom of the culture and die. Even in cultures it will live only a few months. It thrives in dampness and darkness. In a cadaver kept in a zinc box, the virus remains active after three months. It can be seen eight and one-half months later, but is then inactive. In a lung laid in water the bacillus was active after five months. In sputum it is active after three months. It usually dies within two months in dried sputum. It is evident that it can be destroyed with comparative ease.

Although the toxin has been known for six years, as yet no antitoxin has been discovered. Hence our hope is to keep free from infection, and, if infected, to keep our bodies healthy; then our cells will destroy the bacillus instead of it destroying us.

NOTES AND NOTABLES.

Menelek of Abyssinia has been made a Knight Grand Cross of the Order of St. Michael and St. George by the British government.

Professor George Frederick Holmes of the University of Virginia, who died recently, had held his position since 1857, and had never been late to a single lecture.

Tolstoi is suffering from an affliction that makes a surgical operation immediately necessary. There is a swelling on his right cheek that must be cut away. His general health, however, gives no cause for anxiety.

One of the New York voters who registered for the late election is Emanuel Schwab of East Forty-sixth street. He is 101 years old. "The way gets long," he said, "but I couldn't miss my vote."

The report that there is only one surviving schoolmate of Abraham Lincoln has been disproved. Mrs. Susie Yeager of Rhineyville, Ky., now in her ninetieth year, was a schoolmate of the great emancipator at the first school session he attended.

The deanery of Edinburgh, left vacant by the death of Mr. Montgomery, has been conferred on Canon Wilson, a member of the chapter, who has worked all his life in the Episcopal Church of Scotland and is editor of the Scottish guardian and one of the "Scabury reports."

Sir Edward Reed, who has been putting the roller boat, Ernest Bazin, through its paces in the harbor at Havre, reports very favorably on the vessel. He attributes the want of success in this model to lack of steam power and limited size, but considers the principle established.

For a joke, a Bath (Me.) grocer sent word to a business competitor that the master of a government vessel, who had come to town, wanted to see him. The recipient of the message called on the captain, and, to the surprise not less of himself than of the joker, came away with a $200 order for goods.

An autobiography recently published in England is that of "Charlie Wilson," or Catherine Coomes, who masqueraded for forty-two years in male attire in that country. During that time she was married to two women and they lived with her for years without betraying the secret. As "Charlie Wilson," she earned £2 a week, though in her own name and proper dress she could obtain but £1. She confesses that her "wives" gave considerable trouble by running her into debt.

The late Dr. Vaughan, dean of Llandaff and master of Harrow school, came of an illustrious family. One of his uncles was physician to four sovereigns, another a judge, a third dean of Chester and warden of Merton, and a fourth an Ambassador to the sublime Porte. Among the distinguished men who studied under him in the sixth form at Harrow may be named the Earls of Kimberley, Harrowby, and Spencer, Sir George Trevelyan, Sir Matthew White Ridley and Sir Francis Jeune.

Edward R. Godfrey, Bowdoin, '99, in a strength test, according to the Sargent method, at Brunswick, Me., Oct. 30, showed a total strength of 1,716.2. This breaks the best Harvard records. Verrill of Yale stands ahead of Godfrey, but Harvard men do not wholly allow his mark, claiming that more than the required time was taken to complete the test. Godfrey's test was made without rest, showing strength of lungs 18; upper arms 475.27; back 342; legs 717; forearms 183; dipped 26; pulled up 22. Godfrey is a Bangor youth, is 19 years old, 6 feet 4 inches in height, and weighs 206 pounds.

THE MERRY-MAKERS.

When She Throws.—"I wish you would get your wife to throw her influence for me," said the woman who was running for office in the Woman's club; "I'm sure it would have some effect."

"Yes," was the thoughtful reply, "I know when she's ever thrown anything for me it's been effective."—Yonkers Statesman.

Gave the Snap Away.—Mrs. Gabb (hostess)—Your little son does not appear to have much appetite.

Mrs. Gadd—No, he is quite delicate.

Mrs. Gabb—Can't you think of anything you would like, my little man?

Little Man—No, 'm. You see, mum made me eat a hull lot before we started, so I wouldn't make a pig of myself.—New York Weekly.

A Remarkable Comparison.—Clarence—I am actually jealous of that puppy, you know.

Ethel (his fiancee)—Oh, dear me! You men are all alike. Papa is jealous of you.—Puck.

Education Thrown Away.—Mrs. O'Flaherty (to Nellie, aged 9)—And what is the good in getting you a French governess if you goes and says Fido has the mange, instid of the menage.—Harper's Bazar.

The Drawing.—"The drawing of this picture is something unusual," said the connoisseur.

"Yes," replied Mrs. Cumrox. "My husband says it's the only thing he won in a charity bazar in all his life."—Washington Star.

Books and Books.—"I'm anxious to meet Mr. Hobbey; they say he talks just like a book."

"Yes; he does. Just like a blank book."—Detroit Free Press.

Its Disadvantages.—Perambulating Pete—I'm real sorry dey has made Brooklyn Part of Greater New York, Leary.

Languid Leary—Why so, Pete?

Perambulating Pete (gloomily)—Well, when de New York police justices used to give a feller half an hour to get out of de city, he could walk over de bridge to Brooklyn; but now he'll have to raise 3 cents somehow to get across de ferry to New Jersey!—Puck.

Her Status Changed.—His Wife—And you are to defend that shoplifter?

The Lawyer—My dear, she isn't a shoplifter. She was, formerly, but she has saved so much money in the last ten years that she has become a kleptomaniac.—Boston Traveler.

He Couldn't Have That.—A poor man lay dying and his good wife was tending him with homely but affectionate care. "Don't you think you could eat a bit of something, John? Now, what can I get for you?"

With a wan smile, he answered feebly, "Well, I seem to smell a ham cooking somewhere; I think I could do with a little bit of that."

"Oh, no, John, dear," she answered, promptly; "you can't have that. That's for the funeral."—English Paper.

HINTS FOR THE HOME.

The "bachelor's basket" is the newest gift from a girl friend to a college man and the girls find much pleasure in making these really useful as well as dainty toilet accessories for his lordship. Usually a small, low round, basket with no top is chosen; it is lined smoothly with some bright, pretty silk. Several tiny cushions are made and stitched to the inside of the basket brim, and black and white pins and needles are stuck therein in plentiful array. A pair of small scissors, a little silk bag for buttons and several spools of white, black, and colored cotton and silk thread go to complete the bachelor's sewing outfit; and, whether or not he ever takes the basket out of the box in which it is received, the giver feels assured in her own mind that "Jack" has every needful appliance for an emergency, and is consequently happy.

A woman with a clever, original brain and deft fingers can, however small her purse, work wonders in the decoration of her home. One such woman recently rejuvenated one of her apartments and made it a veritable place of beauty. She accomplished the transformation with a pot of paint, several rolls of cheap, coarse burlap, nickel-headed tacks, common sense, quick fingers, and good taste. She is going to paper another room soon, and will buy the rough finish wrapping paper and stencil it herself.

Large, flat pillows for the backs of oak settees, so much used in dining rooms, are sold at prices astoundingly low, considering their beauty and the rich effect they create. They are about three feet in length and two feet and a half in breadth. Both sides are covered with tapestry, with a Defregger scene of peasants drinking in a tavern, or two old cronies playing cards and smoking long pipes in the taproom of some picturesque old-world inn. The edges of the pillows are finished by a puffing of satin in terra cotta or sage green.

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There Are Two Sizes—Six titles each. The smaller book given with a purchase amounting to 50c or more, the larger one given with sales amounting to $1.50 or more. Buy stockings Underwear, Dresses, Cloaks, Waists, etc., etc., of us and receive the books

THAT NEW YORK TRIP
and the two other splendid gifts are yet to be made. A ticket given with every 50c sale.

Thefts Reported.

Dr. G. L. Eaton placed his medicine case on the sidewalk for a few minutes yesterday while he went into a building at Twelfth and Broadway. When the doctor returned the case was gone. It was worth about $400.

A. H. McKown reports that a couple of plumbing testers, worth about $1.50 each, were stolen last night from the new building at Twenty-second street and San Pablo avenue.

Will Sign the Ordinance.

Mayor Thomas this morning stated that he had no intention of not signing the ordinance for the appointment of ten new policemen. He has referred the ordinance to the City Attorney, and will sign it as soon as Mr. Dow passes upon it.

The Mayor is in favor of appointing the men as soon as possible to allow the men to be ready to go on duty at the first of the year.

PROGRAMME OF THE HOUSE HAS BEEN OUTLINED.

The Currency to Be Kept for a Time in the Background.

THE COMMITTEE DIVIDED.

A Bill Will Be Introduced When the Members Shall Have Reached Certain Unanimity.

HOUSE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

Sub-Committees on Cuba and Annexation Appointed for Work in the Senate.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Although no formal action has been taken, a pretty general understanding has been reached by the leaders in the House of Representatives as to the course of action in the near future. It includes the disposal of appropriation bills as fast as they are ready.

The bankruptcy bill will be reported by Chairman Henderson of the Judiciary Committe before the holiday recess, but will not be taken up by the House until after the recess.

It is understood that Speaker Reed and the Committee on Rules will be disposed to give this bill all the advantage in the way of securing early time for debate.

It is equally well understood that for the present there will be effort to take up financial legislation on the floor of the House. This is due mainly to the fact that a strong impression prevails among members of the House that the Committee on Banking and Currency will not be able to reconcile the many conflicting interests inside the committee. These represent all shades of the financial subject and are so much at variance that it is not expected a majority can be rallied for any one proposition. Under such circumstances the purpose is to await the action of the deadlock in that committee. When it becomes evident that the Committee on Banking and Currency is at a standstill, then the Ways and Means Committee will frame a bill on broad lines calculated to meet the present financial requirements. In the meantime the subject will be kept in the background as much as possible.

Aside from the bankruptcy and appropriation bills some emergency measures, such as that relating to Behring sea, introduced by Mr. Hitt, will have a hearing, as they involve questions of general policy and are not likely to meet with opposition. With these exceptions the disposition of the House leaders will be to keep radical legislation to the rear.

COMMITTEES ON CUBA AND HAWAII

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—The committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives held its first meeting to-day and outlined its work on the several important foreign questions now pending. Chairman Hitt appointed the following sub-committee to deal with Cuban affairs: Adams, Pennsylvania; Heatwole, Minnesota; and Berry, Kentucky.

The sub-committee to consider Hawaiian affairs is: Hitt, Illinois; Smith, Michigan; and Dinsmore, Arkansas.

The Committee determined to report at once the bill prohibiting American citizens from conducting pelagic sealing in Behring Sea and an understanding was reached that the bill would be pushed to final passage before the holidays. It was also determined that the members of the committee would call in a body on the Secretary of State at 11 o'clock.

QUARANTINE REGULATIONS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Senator Cafferty of Louisiana to-day introduced a bill for a revision of the quarantine laws the distinctive feature of which is the placing of the quarantine regulations exclusively in the hands of the national authorities. The Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to make regulations to prevent the introduction of infectious or contagious diseases into one State from another and such regulations are to be enforced by the sanitary authorities of each State or of municipalities, but when they fail, the President is given authority to execute and enforce them and adopt "such measures as in his judgment shall be necessary to prevent the introduction or spread of such diseases."

APPROPRIATIONS IN THE HOUSE.

Committee Consideration of a Bill of Many Millions.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—The House to-day got down to work. Jerry Simpson of Kansas was in his seat for the first time this session, and was warmly greeted by his colleagues.

The House early went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Payne of New York in the chair, for the consideration of the pension appropriation bill which was reported yesterday. The bill carries $141,121,830, $1,312,830 of which is for fees of examining surgeons, salaries of agents, clerk hire, and the other items for the execution of pension laws. W. A. Stone, in charge of the bill, explained the different items, and Mr. Cannon, Republican, Illinois, followed in a speech on finances and the need of economy.

Love in Harness" at Macdonough Theater Friday and Saturday evenings. Don't miss it.

SANFORD DIES.

Committed Suicide Because He Had Given Up Tobacco.

Coroner Baldwin this afternoon held an inquest on the remains of George B. Sanford, who took strychnine Tuesday night and died from its effects last night. The old man was 73 years of age, and had used tobacco for forty years.

He is an Adventist, and about a week ago decided to give up the weed. He did so, and the strain upon him was so great that his mind gave way and he decided to end his suffering by taking strychnine.

Mr. Sanford came to California and settled in Contra Costa county in 1849. He moved to Alameda six months ago.

The Coroner's jury returned a verdict of suicide.

Dropped Dead.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 9.—John E. Meserve, a bookkeeper in the Farmers' and Merchants' Bank, dropped dead at the depot at Highland Park this morning. He came from Kansas six years ago, and leaves a widow and one child. He was 40 years of age. Heart disease was the cause.

Favor Federation.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

PEORIA, Ills., Dec. 9.—The vote of the Brotherhoods of Locomotive Firemen and Railroad Trainmen on the question of federation of the orders is coming in, and is practically unanimous in favor of it. Other orders except the engineers have already decided for it.

Germany's Naval Bill.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

BERLIN, Dec. 9.—The debate on the first reading of the Government's naval bill was closed today after speeches by Herr Galler, People's party; Herr Zimmerman, Reform, and Herr Hilpert, Bavarian peasants' party. The bill was offered to the Budget Committee.

Miner's Wages Settled.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

CREEDE, Col., Dec. 9.—After Dec. 1, wages for miners will be $3 instead of $2.50.

HOME RULE FOR THE QUEEN OF THE ANTILLES.

Effects of the Move if Aided by Reciprocity Here.

PACIFYING THE ISLAND.

The Wide Gulf Which Must Be Bridged Between Autonomy Will Be Accepted by Cubans.

UNDOING OF WEYLER'S WORK

Something Already Accomplished by Blanco in the Administrative Office of the Provinces.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—"Home rule for Cuba, for Spain, sovereignty; for the United States, reciprocity. The programme is defined. If carried out it might insure years of tranquility and prosperity to the Antilles," says the correspondent of the Tribune in Havana.

"Until the first point is settled the last one is necessarily inchoate. It does not form part of the public discussion of autonomy. Only the few thoughtful men who are looking beyond the politics of today make it a cardinal feature in the Cuban policy of the future. Except for the fall in sugar, it is contended by thoughtful men, the abuses of Spanish colonial misgovernment in the island would have been endured until corrected. In prosperity the weight of corrupt and oppressive administration did not seem to bear so heavily. In adversity it became unbearable. With concessions from Spain which promises to give Cuba its own government, the economic conditions again become prominent and commercial relations with the United States are the basis of all the plans for improvement.

"A wide gulf must first be bridged with autonomy before forces can be given to these ideas. The gulf may never be spanned, because support at either end by Spanish partisans and Cuban revolutionists is wanting; yet the suggestion of reciprocity is significant of the future relations of the islands to the United States. The Cubans who declare the revolution must go on until independence is won have theories of their own. One of these is that broader and more stable reciprocity will be secured to the United States if it treats with the Cuban republic instead of with a colony of Spain. That is their answer.

"It should not be understood that the representatives of the Spanish Cabinet in Cuba are concerning themselves with these matters of economy. It is the men of theories who are doing that.

"Captain-General Blanco has too much immediate work to look so far ahead. To undo what Weyler had done in mal-administration is a huge task in itself. Smething of this labor has been accomplished in administrative offices but this has little bearing on the main question. The places are filled by men who are in sympathy with the government and who will loyally help to carry out its plans. These are details. More important is the approachment of the political parties. The Madrid correspondents of the Havana journals describe the Sagasta Ministry as in the enjoyment of its honeymoon."

THE CHARITY COMPANY AGAIN ON THE BOARDS.

"Love in Harness" Friday and Saturday at the Macdonough.

Greatest Theatrical Attempt of the Popular Reliance Club.

The last full-dress rehearsal of the Charity Company for the society production of "Love in Harness" took place today at the Macdonough Theater. The finishing touches have been put on, and the company is ready for the initial presentation tomorrow evening at the Macdonough. Every indication is for a highly successful production. The company has developed beyond the expectations of the friends of the talented young people who compose it.

The members and friends of the Reliance Athletic Club, in whose behalf this entertainment is to be given, have devoted splendid effort toward the success of this production.

"Love in Harness" is one of Augustin Daly's cleverest comedies. It is crowded with ingeniously contrived situations that sparkle with snappy humor. The plot is built around the difficulties of two young married couples who disagree over incompatibilities. The story runs somewhat in this wise:

Jeremiah Jobletts (John L. Housman) has two married daughters, their respective spouses being Julius Naggitt (Richard M. Hotaling) and Frederick Urquhart (J. C. Wilson). Differences with their wives causes them to depart and establish themselves in bachelor apartments, where despite a very hard struggle to be happy, the husbands are a sorry pair.

Charles Hoffman, M. D. (George B. De Long) figures as a suitor for a third Jobletts girl, and he presses his suit hard, undeterred by warnings from his prospective brothers-in-law. Jennie Jobletts (Miss Effie Bonde) is his fair charmer.

In the bachelor quarters of Urquhart and Naggitt revolves the intensely jolly fun of the second act. The husbands struggle bravely to present a bold appearance of gayety. There is a meeting with the old folks. Mrs. Jobletts (Mrs. J. Louis Sill) has a mother-in-laws' solicitude for her daughters exemplified in some very humorous situations. The husbands stand out against everything, but quietly contrive to scheme to win back their wives without sacrificing their own personal pride. A note to an actress surreptitiously reaches the grieving women, Mrs. Urquhart (Miss Ida Chase Lee) and Mrs. Naggitt (Miss Olive Snyder) are furious with jealous rage.

Seeking their husbands in anger, they demand explanations. The scheming spouses produce the husband of the actress as the person with whom they were dealing. The wives regret their unfounded suspicions, harmony is restored and everything ends happily.

Clarence B. Sloan, Miss Minne Ferry, Miss Hilda Henning and Miss Louise Henning have some bright character parts.

There has been an immense amount of labor expended on this production. The company was organized by J. C. Wilson, who has had the entire handling of the theatrical end of the affair. Every detail of the staging and the preparation has been in his hands. The business manager, James B. Dean, has most efficiently arranged all the many details of that department. He has had the assistance of H. A. Tubbs, W. R. Berry, C. H. Lovell, J. Cal Ewing, J. H. Ames and Paul Goldsmith, composing the Reliance Club entertainment committee.

There will be two performances. For Saturday evening special preparation is being made. The sale of seats has been very large. The club members and their friends have taken great interest in the affair. The company has scores of admirers here and in San Francisco. From both sides of the bay there will be present a fashionable representation.

The Reliance Club well deserves the support of Oakland, for it has always responded to every call upon its varied resources of entertainment. The ladies of this city recognizing this, have decided to reciprocate to the fullest extent.

VANDERBILT PROVIDES FOR POOR OLD AGE.

A Life Insurance Policy for $1,000,000 to Run Twenty Years.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—The largest life insurance policy ever issued has been written in this city, calling for $1,000,000 insurance upon the life of George W. Vanderbilt.

The policy is what is known as a twenty payment life contract, and provides for a premium of $35,000 a year. After Mr. Vanderbilt has paid that sum yearly for twenty years, the payments cease, and the principal becomes due at his death.

The next largest policy ever written is said to have been for $100,000, entered into by an English company which reinsured much of the risk in other concerns. The largest transaction of an American company, it is said, took place a few years ago, when $500,000 of insurance was issued upon the lives of five members of the same family.

BARBER'S FIGURES BALANCE TO A PENNY.

Fine Showing Made of the County Treasurer's Collections.

A Delinquency of Over $5000 Less Than That of Last Year.

County Tax Collector Barber has just finished the work of checking up all his accounts, and the stubs which he has retained in his office as the result of the collection of taxes of both installments of the year, which closed a few days ago.

The result is a balancing to a penny, a gratifying evidence of the efficient manner in which Mr. Barber and his clerks have done their work.

These figures show that there were charged to the county, in State, county, school and sanitary tax, $1,045,308.96.

Of this amount there was delinquent on the first installment $15,693.69, to which a penalty of 15 per cent must be added.

In the second installment, the amount unpaid was $304,972.03.

There was paid into the county treasury a total of $721,643.24.

The addition of the first delinquency, the amount unpaid in the last installment, and the sum paid into the treasury make the grand total of $1,045,308.96, the amount charged against the county.

The delinquency on the first installment of last year was $23,016.60, while the delinquency in this year's first installment was only $17,801.89, making a showing in favor of this year in the way of better collections of $5,214.71.

MOTHER M'KINLEY IS STILL SINKING.

The President Spent the Night by His Mother's Bedside.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

CANTON, O., Dec. 9.—Mother McKinley survived the night, but the morning finds her very weak. The last hours of the night were passed in deep sleep. The President was at the bedside nearly the entire night.

The doctor said she might live throughout the day, but there was no hopeful tone to his words.

At 10 o'clock Mrs. McKinley was resting quietly, and the President went out for a walk.

At 2 o'clock there was no perceptible change in the condition of Mrs. McKinley. When the doctor left her shortly after noon, he expressed himself that she would survive the day.

Abe Cohn Manager.

Abe S. Cohn, well known in this city, will have the management hereafter of the modern tailors' and hatters' new store of J. Cohn & Co., at 958 and 960 Washington street, and will make his home here.

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One More Special in our Tailoring Department

At $25.00

We will make you a suit of genuine Redfern or Pireola Suiting, Jacket, Russian Blouse or tight waist lined throughout with any color of heavy changeable Silk Taffeta.

These suits will be strictly tailor-made in every detail. A fit guaranteed.

This opportunity is offered you for one week only.

Every one knows we are giving away $1000—one thousand dollars.

$300—three hundred dollars—to the Charitable Institutions in Alameda County, and

$100—one hundred dollars every Saturday evening at 9:45 o'clock, as personal gifts.

If we had more room for salespeople we could have you waited upon faster, but we are doing our best, and simply ask in return a little patience upon the part of our patrons.

Our weekly drawing on Saturday, Dec. 4th, resulted as follows:
Blue Coupons—No. 13,751 takes $50.00
23,775 takes $30.00
5,733 takes $20 00

Holders of the duplicates of these coupons please call at our office.
The next drawing for our weekly gifts will take place Saturday, Dec. 11th, at 9:45 P. M.
Be sure to get coupons. We give one with every twenty-five cents' worth of merchandise purchased of us.

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13th and Washington Streets

An Array of Beauty and Art.

Trimmed Chinele Hats - $2.50

Hand Made Velvet Hats, - $5.00

LEM WILLIAMS
1003 Washington Street

MANY LIVES IMPERILLED

Dangerous Collisions on Both the Land and the Sea.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—During the fog shortly after 7 o'clock this morning, two trains on the Second avenue elevated road collided at 102nd street.

The engine of the rear train ran into the train ahead.

The following were injured:

Wm. H. Masterson, severely wounded on the scalp.

Fireman Joseph O'Brien, bruised on the neck.

Timothy Sullivan, bruised on the hands.

All the passengers on the trains were thrown from their seats.

The engineer of the rear train was arrested.

Another collision occurred on the Sixth avenue line at 132nd street, where one up-bound train ran into another. The engineer of the rear train, Wm. Donald, and a passenger were painfully injured.

On East River the ferry boat Flushing mistook the bell of the steamer Miami for that of the Long Island ferry slip and bumped the steamer hard.

There was some confusion on board the Flushing, but no material damage was done to either craft.

The Pennsylvania Railroad ferry boat Cincinnati and the New Jersey of the Scotland street line, were in collision at the slip at Cortland street. Both boats were crowded with passengers and a wild scramble for safety ensued when it became evident that a collision was inevitable. The boats collided with considerable force and the overlapping guard of the New Jersey boat crushed the guard rail on the port side of the Cincinnati. The New Jersey was uninjured. No one was hurt.

Charity Company in Daly's "Love in Harness," at Macdonough Theater, tomorrow and Saturday evenings.

Encountered a Hurricane.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

VALETTA, Island of Malta, Dec. 9.—The Peninsula and Oriental Steam Navigation Company's steamer, Clyde, Captain Gordon, which was overdue at this port, has arrived here from Marseilles.

The Clyde encountered a terrific hurricane in the Gulf of Lyons, during which all her sails were blown to shreds and her commander was compelled to heave her to for 48 hours. The Clyde had about 100 passengers.

ELI'S BURGLAR GETS OFF EASILY.

The Man Who Took the Senator's Umbrella Will Plead Guilty.

Senator Eli Denison felt very uncomfortable for a few minutes in Judge Hall's court to-day. He was there as prosecuting witness against James K. Johnson, a morphine fiend who stole the Senator's blue silk umbrella a few weeks ago and was captured after an exciting footrace on Eighth street.

It was not a congenial role for Eli, and he declared that he thought the accused had been punished quite enough, as since his incarceration he has been denied his usual supply of drugs.

With the consent of the District Attorney, the charge against Johnson was reduced to petty larceny. He was sent back to the Police Court, where he will plead guilty. This satisfied Senator Denison.

Reliance Club Benefit at the Macdonough Theater tomorrow and Saturday evenings. Fun and amusement for everybody.

Police Pickings.

There were six cases of drunkenness before Judge Allen this morning. Four of them, H. J. Riley, Henry Fisher, Chris Lawson and John Ryan, were fined, and judgment was suspended in the cases of Alexander Scott and George Rawlins.

Thomas Moore, charged with battery, was granted a continuance.

Richard Permien, who thrashed "Baron" Barcteau, was discharged on motion of the Prosecuting Attorney.

The case against James McAllister, for violating the plumbing ordinance, was dismissed upon the payment of $5 costs.

A Big Judgment.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—A confession of judgment for $18621 was entered to-day against the Schaeffer Piano Company in favor of the Chicago cottage Organ Company. Liabilities are said to be about $40,000, with assets nearly equalling that amount.

DIED.

ROSA—At the Alameda County Infirmary, December 9, 1897, Rocci Rosa, a native of Switzerland, aged 34 years.

Notice the elaborate corset display in our Broadway window, and interview Miss Keppler on the advantages of a correctly fitting corset.
TAFT & PENNOYER,
1163-5-7 Broadway.

"My Cake is Dough."
Did not use Sperry's Flour.

C. W. Kinsey, Dealer in Fine New and Second-Hand Furniture, Carpets, Ranges, Etc.
"Modern" furniture bought or exchanged. Auction sales on premises. Call and see us. 462-464 Thirteenth street.

The physicians send all their patients to Theo. Gier Co., 513-515 Fourteenth street, for pure wines and liquors for medicinal purposes.

WANTED—Several girls for general housework; wages $15 to $25; also competent second girls. Call at Mrs. Marvin's Hair Store, 1253 Washington st.

M. S. SMITH & SONS.

Christmas Rush

is to be avoided—it is hard work for the customers, hard work for the clerks and goods not near so satisfactory as those purchased earlier. The assortment is bound to be small and consequently not as choice. Come this week, or at the latest, next week—we can give you more time and guarantee you better satisfaction.

BOOKS
Are for years and years used as gifts at Christmas. Character and temperament are more easily suited, and in the present great variety the desired price and style of binding can readily be obtained.

LATE NOVELS
Frances Hodgson Burnett, Sarah Grand, Robert Chambers, S. O. Jewett, Marion Crawford, Sienkiewitz DuMaurier, Chas. King, Mary E. Wilkins, Baugs.

TRAVELS
Italy—Spain—Prussia—China—Norway—Russia

BOYS AND GIRLS BOOKS
Chandler Harris—Herty Kirk Monroe Otis, Mark Twain, F. H. Burnett, Crockett, Richards, Wilkins & Mead.

LEATHER GOODS
Make gifts that can be used every day. In this line can be found articles that will certainly satisfy some friends' "long felt want"—as rich or as plain as you wish.

Purses
5c, 10c, 15c, 20c, 40c, to $4.75.

Combination Card Cases & Purses
75c to $12.00

Writing Portfolios
75c, $1.00, 1.25, 1.50, to 8.00
Pocket Inkstands. Folding and plain Drinking Cups with leather cases, Pocket Flasks, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Jewel and Work Boxes, Book Covers Picture Frames and many other useful and ornamental novelties.

PLASTER CASTS
Make artistic reminders of friendship. Simple, chaste reproductions of famous pieces of sculpture. These works of art add materially to the beauty of any room. Many new subjects are now in our rooms. Moderate price makes them of additional interest. Very choice subjects of good size can be had at 75c, $1.00, $1.50 and 2.00; of course prices go as high as $15.00.

MANY NOVELTIES
Are now in stock, a few of each only. Early purchasers get the benefit of full selection. Fancy Lamps, Small Bronzes, Porcelain Medalions, Odd bits of Silver and Dainty China.

PICTURES
Always please. No matter how many are on the walls room can be found for one more. This year we have a larger and choicer lot than ever before. Our specialty is *Made to Order* Pictures, that is, select your picture, pick out your moulding and have the whole picture to suit you exactly. 4000 Pictures from the small photos at 10c to the strong Paintings at $150.00 give ample scope for purse and fancy.

Our Frame Making
Has given us a reputation for artistic work that we are proud of. Seven people now hard at work in our shop speaks for itself. Our men are picked from the very best of their class—Gold leaf workers, frame makers and mat makers are without superiors—Our materials of the finest and the finished work of the highest grade.
700 styles of Moulding; 87 kinds of mats, make a selection that will please the most particular.

Bring in your Pictures NOW!
Next week we may not be able to take your order for frames.

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is a fourth article that can be readily given and will be found to be very acceptable. Beautiful shades, dainty textures, novel shapes, rich boxes, altogether make a gift that will delight anyone.

Monogram and Address stamped on the writing paper adds greatly to the appearance without materially increasing the cost—Our work in this line is of the highest grade only.
A box of plain paper 10c to $6
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Our stores contain goods of almost every description—suitable to the needs or luxuries of anyone.

Pocket Knives, Office Materials, Architects' Supplies, Artists' Materials, Tissue Paper Materials, Toys, Frames, Children's Books

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Call at our stores, inspect our stock whether purchasing or not.

OPEN EVENINGS.

M. S. SMITH & SONS,
Art Dealers Booksellers Stationers
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AUTONOMY ON MONDAY

Provisional Government of Cuba Forms Next Week.

BASIS OF UNIVERSAL SUFFRAGE

Secretaries Will Rule Until Parliament Shall Be Constituted.

DATE OF ELECTION UNKNOWN

In Some Provinces, It Will Take Place in January.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—A special to the Tribune from Washington says: "Next Monday is understood to be the day set for the institution of the provisional government in Cuba under the autonomy decrees of November 25th and 26th. The State Department has been given to understand that General Blanco has arranged to do this immediately upon the arrival of the decrees in Havana, where they are expected by Saturday or Sunday at the latest. This is in accordance with the closing election of the decree of November 25th extending to the Antilles the electoral laws of Spain on a basis of universal suffrage, and provides the new constitution for Porto Rico and Cuba in these words:

"'In order to establish at once the new regime, the Governor General will appoint the secretaries of the insular government with whom he shall govern the colony until the insular parliament shall be constituted.'

"The understanding is further that the provisional appointees will be Cubans and members of the autonomist party. Simultaneously, the committee to take the census of the provinces and make the poll-list for the first election will be constituted and the necessary machinery organized to choose the seventeen councillors of administration and the members of the Chamber of Representatives, the latter being authorized on the basis of one for every twenty-five thousand inhabitants.

"All the same election provincial and municipal officials are to be chosen by direct vote of all male inhabitants of legal age, there being no property qualification as had been generally supposed, except in the case of the seventeen councillors. The date of this election, while not yet determined upon, will probably be set for some time next spring, although General Blanco may find it possible to order it in some of the provinces at least as early as the middle of January."

ALAMEDA NEWS.

A Variety of Items From the City Across the Estuary.

ALAMEDA, Dec. 9.—James Timothy who is serving a three years' exile from this city, was severely injured Tuesday evening by jumping from a train. He had boarded a Haywards train, thinking that it was an Alameda train, at the mole and did not discover his mistake until the train was passing Fruitvale, when he jumped off, breaking his leg.

An effort is being made to have the electric lights burning at all times when necessary. While under the "moonlight schedule," the arc lights have not been burning whenever it was expected that the moon would shine, whether it did shine or not.

Garden City Lodge, No. 1745, Knights of Honor have chosen officers as follows: Dictator, Fred Lindermann; Vice Dictator, O. F. Westphal; Assistant Dictator, A. Johnson; Reporter, H. Kaufmann; Financial Reporter, J. H. Dickhoff; Treasurer, A. Victors; Guide, C. J. Hammond; Chaplain, Sam Frank; Guardian, G. L. Birkmaier; Sentinel, W. M. Phillips; Trustees—W. Simpson, G. R. Miller and Samuel Frank.

County Clerk Jordan and an initiating committee from Oakland administered the Oriental Degree of Humility to twenty members of Halcyon Parlor, N. S. G. W. Tuesday evening.

Yosemite Council, No. 40 Jr., A. O. U. W. have elected the following officers for 1898: Councilor, F. H. Daniels; Vice Councilor, H. W. Berdwell; Conductor, E. J. Simon; Warden, L. Hoffman; Assistant Recording Secretary, J. U. Wittich; Inside Sentinel, G. W. Comfort; Outside Sentinel, W. Mohns; Chaplain E. C. Maillot. The following officers hold over until June, 1898: A. P. Heise, Financial Secretary; L. de Brish, Treasurer.

The Adelphian Club gave a very successful "gentlemen's night" Tuesday evening.

BERKELEY NEWS.

A Movement to Prevent Famine Suggested by a Berkeley Missionary.

BERKELEY, Dec. 9.—W. W. Clark of this city has suggested a plan which, if found practicable, may become world wide. His idea is to organize a "Blue Cross League" of the missionaries and missionary societies of the country, the aim of which shall be to prevent famine. The League shall have charge of a "World's Famine Prevention Fund," which it shall have power to distribute. A more effective remedy, perhaps, will be furnished by the establishment of model farms, which shall teach the natives to cultivate the soil.

Higgington E. Creed, '98, was yesterday elected editor of the Daily Californian of the University. Mr. Creed is a graduate of the Oakland High School and local correspondent of the Chronicle. Irwin J. Munna was re-elected business manager. Hartley Peart was elected treasurer.

The freshmen and sophomore classes of the University will hold an interclass debate January 11th on the subject: "Resolved, That the extension of suffrage after the adoption of the constitution has been detrimental to the United States."

Miss Edith S. Brownsill, '98, has been chosen captain of the basket-ball team of the University. Miss Brownsill is a graduate of the Santa Barbara High School and is deeply interested in athletics.

The Institute for the Deaf, Dumb, and Blind is undergoing a thorough cleaning and is being fumigated throughout on account of the recent scarlet fever epidemic. Seven children are at present in the hospital convalescing. The spring term will open January 2nd, and continue until June.

THE STAMP ORDINANCE IS AGAIN DISCUSSED.

Schemes to Secure Trade Will Be Illegal Next Year.

Mr. Brosnahan Says the Merchants Deserved What They Received.

Theodore Gier and D. C. Brown were before the Ordinance Committee of the City Council last evening in the interests of the stamp ordinance introduced by the Merchants' Exchange. The ordinance occasioned considerable discussion.

Mr. Cuvellier said he was in favor of the ordinance providing that it should not go into effect till the first of the year. Many of the merchants had already entered into the stamp scheme, he said, and they should get a chance to recover some of the money put into it.

Mr. Rowe was opposed to the stamp system, claiming that it taught little children to gamble.

Mr. Heitmann said he saw nothing wrong in giving away a watch with each suit of clothes sold. He thought that was legitimate competition.

Theodore Gier said that it was not desired that the stamp ordinance should go into effect before January 1st. The stamp business he said, was run by Eastern men, who had made misrepresentations to the merchants.

Mr. Cuvellier said he thought the stamp method created a trust and was therefore absolutely illegal.

"I don't know that I am in favor of the ordinance," said Mr. Brosnahan. "If Eastern sharpers can come to Oakland and find a lot of 'suckers' to bite at such a game, let them do it. The only thing I'm sorry for is that the merchants did not bite worse."

The following ordinance, a substitute to the one introduced by Mr. Upton, was referred to the City Attorney to be amended so as to include a prohibiting clause against stamps.

"No person shall operate, or keep, for the purposes of being operated, within the city of Oakland, or permit to be operated or kept for the purpose of being operated, upon premises in his possession, or under his control, within the city of Oakland, any machine or device commonly known as a nickel-in-the-slot machine, or any other machine or device (other than hereinafter expressly excepted) which is operated by dropping or placing money, or other substance, in a slot, or into which the dropping or placing of money or other substance is essential to, or connected with, such operation.

"The provisions of the foregoing section shall not apply to telephone machines nor to machines commonly known as candy and chocolate machines.

"No person, firm or corporation shall sell or give away, or offer to sell, or give away, as an inducement for the purchase of goods, wares or merchandise, any ticket, writing or thing entitling the holder thereof to a chance to obtaining gift, reward or prize."

"I am opposed," said Mr. Brosnahan, "to preventing merchants from giving away articles to increase their trade."

Mr. Cuvellier objected to the chocolate machines and told how he had put a nickel into a machine that did not work.

Mr. Rowe said he had dropped nickels into telephones only to have central say, "The line is busy; call again."

License Inspector Maloon said that Manager Flemming of the Telephone Company had stated that the nickel 'phones would be removed, if compelled to pay a license.

Mr. Brosnahan's liquor license ordinance was referred to the City Attorney without discussion, although Mr. Brosnahan stated that he had submitted it to a number of attorneys who had declared it legal. It was in operation in two or three cities in the State, he said.

Mr. Fibush's ordinance repealing the ordinance charging a license of $4 a quarter on billiard, pool and bagatelle tables was laid over to allow Mr. Fibush to explain its merits.

The ordinance establishing the grades on Summer street was recommended for passage.

It was recommended that the City Attorney be directed to draw an ordinance to abate the nuisance at Third and Magnolia streets.

The ordinance appropriating $5,000 for the payment of one-half of constructing Webster street, from First to Fourth street, was recommended for adoption.

The matter of amending the cow ordinance to include the old annexed district was referred to the City Attorney.

The ordinance requiring two men to be employed on each street car operated within the city limits was recommended to be passed to print.

Mr. Rowe stated that the City Attorney had not reported on the high fence ordinance nor the ordinance calling for the adoption of a new charter.

Attempted Hold-Up.

Edward Watchers, an employe of the Parcel Delivery Company, was the intended victim of an unsuccessful hold-up last night. While crossing Fruitvale avenue at East Twenty-eighth street in his wagon, Watchers was ordered to stop by a masked highwayman. Instead of stopping, Watchers whipped up his team and ran them for almost a mile before stopping.

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TO STRUGGLE DAY AFTER DAY.

The Cry of the Insurgents to Be Independence or Death.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—A proclamation signed by the Cuban military and civil leaders in Havana province protesting against the autonomy offered by Spain, was recently issued, as reported by the correspondent of the Associated Press. The proclamation in full follows:

"Cubans: After all her efforts to subdue us by force of arms have proved in vain, Spain offers autonomy to the Cuban people. She expects to induce us to submit anew to her rule under her pretended terms of peace.

"Spain's pretension is useless. The time is already past to think of such compromise and transaction. Opposed to them in an insurmountable manner are the dignity and manifest destiny of our country; the outrages inflicted upon our families; the torrents of Cuban blood that have been shed; the lives of so many innocent human beings who have succumbed to oppression; the sacred memory of our heroes who have died in defense of their native soil, and all other sorts of sacrifices we have made in behalf of our independence. To obtain this, we have again taken up arms, and we are determined to continue unhesitatingly in the task of redeeming our country until we attain the success which is near at hand. We shall not flinch in our effort, nor is it possible that we be forsaken by the God of Justice in our sacred undertaking.

"Let the world at large be aware that this is our unalterable purpose, our only and constant aspiration, our supreme ideal, to which we have consecrated our lives, our property, present welfare, and in short, our all. Let the world know our full determination to carry on the struggle day after day while the Spanish flag floats over our beloved country, let everybody know that our watchword is independence or death. Cubans, long live Cuba free and independent."

AMERICA'S FINANCIAL KING RETURNS.

Probable Perfecting of a Line From Ocean to Ocean.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—Looking hale and hearty and evidently at peace with himself and the world at large, J. Pierpont Morgan walked down the gangway of the White Star steamship Teutonic after a two months' stay in Europe.

The return of the principal figure in American financial affairs has been anxiously awaited by men who are engineering more than one big deal.

An important deal which required considerable of Mr. Morgan's attention while abroad was the coming re-organization of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company. It is also expected that the prompt organization of the new company which has purchased the Union Pacific Railroad will now occur. It is stated that the new president will be a Morgan-Vanderbilt man. This means practically a through line from New York to Ogden or almost across the continent in the hands of this combination. In this chain of roads are the New York Central, Lake Shore, & Northwestern, and the Union Pacific. Only the Central Pacific is lacking to make the line complete.

DAVIS DIVORCE CASE GOES OVER A DAY.

W. W. Foote Desires to Examine Into the Defendant's Account Books.

In Mrs. Augustus Davis' suit for a divorce from William Davis, the harness manufacturer, an investigation into the husband's business affairs is being undertaken by attorney W. W. Foote, who represents Mrs. Davis. This morning Mr. Foote secured a continuance until tomorrow to permit his experts to examine Davis' books of account.

The testimony thus far produced in this branch of the case shows an apparent discrepancy existing between two memoranda made by Mr. Davis of his business in the years 1895 and 1896. One memorandum shows net assets of $107,000, while a subsequent one shows the assets had dwindled to $27,000.

Mr. Davis explained that he had made an examination of his stock and cut down estimates of values upon all the unsalable goods he had on hand.

The contention of Mrs. Davis is that her husband is worth more than $100,000. On this basis she seeks a settlement which is contested.

Mrs. Davis was a sister of the late Jacob Price, an inventor of hay presses and other agricultural implements, who resided at San Leandro.

STEEL CARS TO DO VERY HEAVY WORK.

Some of the New Track Rollers Will Carry 110,000 Pounds.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—The Record says: "Steel freight cars with a capacity of 100,000 pounds and even more will displace the old style of wooden car carrying from 40,000 to 60,000 pounds. These cars are said to lessen materially the dead weight hauled and in many other ways are more economical than the wooden cars.

Within the last few days, the Pittsburg, Bessemer & Lake Erie road has contracted for 600 all-steel cars of 100,000 pounds capacity.

The Pittsburg & Lake Erie has ordered fifty similar cars, while another trunk line is said to be figuring on the construction of cars to carry 110,000 pounds. All these cars are specially intended for the coal and ore trades. It is thought that before long the railroads will turn their attention to building larger cars for grain and other commodities.

Among the advantages claimed for the steel cars are lightness of construction, thus allowing more cars to be hauled.

NO REFORM IN PERU'S MARRIAGE LAWS.

The Latest Enactment Vetoed Because Unjust to Native Protestants.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

LIMA, Peru, Dec. 9.—President Pierola has vetoed the measure recently passed by Congress legalizing non-Catholic marriages in Peru and providing for the registration of such marriages. He gives as his reason the fact that the bill only authorized the registration of foreigners, without providing for native born Peruvians descended from Protestants who hold to the religion of their fathers.

The President's action has called forth much adverse criticism.

With the exception of the official organs, the press is bitterly opposed to the President's project to reform the home debt. They denounce the plan as one calculated to rob the creditors of Peru and assert that it is dishonest. It is doubtful if the plan will be sanctioned by Congress.

ILLINOIS WANTS TO MAKE BEET SUGAR.

The Saccharine Quality of the Soil to Be Tested Scientifically.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

QUINCY, Ill., Dec. 9.—There are good prospects that sugar beet culture will be engaged in in this section of the State in the near future, and on an extensive scale. The Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad Company is interested in a plan to induce the farmers to go into the business. Industrial Commissioner Ross of that corporation says that if the soil, on analysis, is found to be adapted to the growth of the vegetable a sugar plant will be established at Quincy. Secretary of Agriculture Wilson has promised to send a quantity of seeds, so that it can be determined whether the soil in this vicinity will produce a beet containing the required saccharine properties.

Another Series.

Manager Bushnell of the Alameda Alerts has put up a trophy for another series of games between his team and the Santa Cruz men. His challenge has not yet been accepted, as he insists upon Joe Corbett pitching for the Alerts.

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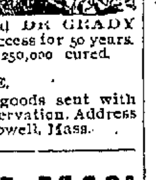

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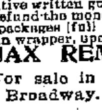

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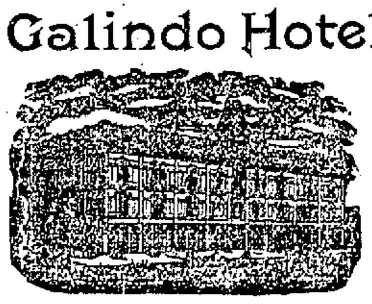

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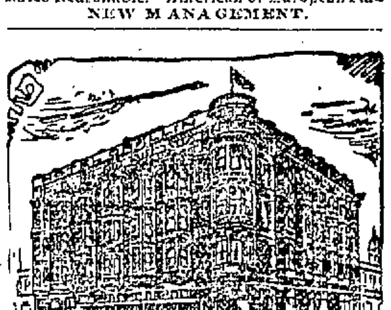

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DEEDS.

Oct. 1, 1897—A. J. B. and Jane S. Immel to Citizens' B. & L. Assn, S. F., W Willow st 35 S Seward st S 50 x W 100 blk 701, Okd; $10.

Dec. 1, 1897—Chas. W. Pinkerton to Morgan L. Ryder, The SW ½ lot 63 plot 17, Mountain View Cemetery, Okd Tp; grant.

May 8, 1892—Margaret E. Wyman to Gilbert Wyman, S E-14th st 50 W 23d av W 100-6 x S 150, E Okd; gift.

Dec. 6, 1897—F. A. and Priscilla S. Berlin to Chas. J. Smith, W cor 27th st and 21st av SW 140 x NW 102-0½ being lots 24 and 27 blk 89, northern addn to Bklyn, E Okd; S cor 24th av and E-21st st SE 150 x SW 105 blk H, sub 50 Associates' tract, E Okd; N 5th st 58-3 E Union st E 50 N 101 W 25 S to beg being lots 7 and 8 blk 489, Briggs tract map 2, Okd; N 5th st 108-3 E Union st E 25 N 101 W 25 S to beg blk 489, same, Okd; W Filbert st 134-4 S 26th st S 33-4 x W 125 blk K, survey of northern extension of Okd, Okd; S Nolan or 33d st 166-3 E Market st E 37-6 S 87 NW 37-6 N 87 to beg being the W 37-6 ft of lot 4 blk H, ppty Central Land Co. Okd; lots 17 and 18 blk 93; lots 4 and 5 blk 108 and lot 19 blk 107, tract B, Bkly L and T I Assn, Bkly; W Magnolia 225 S 30th st S 75 x W 133-3 being the S 75 ft lot 9 blk H, Peralta Hd tract, Okd; lots 4 and 7 to 26, resub blk 771, Levy tract, Bklyn Tp; $10.

Dec. 6, 1897—Same to same, S Railroad av 50 E St. Charles st E 100 x S 125 being lots 69 and 70 Encinal Park tract, Ala; lots 7 and 8 blk 752, Levy tract on map of C. C. Clay's sub blk 772 and fractional blks 723, 724, 147, 751 to 754 and 770 of Levy and Lane tract, Bklyn Tp; lots 13 and 14 blk D, sub Heald 23d av tract, Bklyn Tp; lots 21 and 22 blk A, tract B, Bkly L and T I Assn, Bkly; lots 17 and 18 blk 93, same, Bkly; SE High st 1.74 chs SW from NE line Bklyn Land Co's tract, th SW 9 chs SE 27.59 chs NE 8.90 chs NW 26.22 chs to beg, containing 24 acres, being ptn lands Bklyn Land Co, Bklyn Tp; lot 16 blk 630 being a resub of blks 630 and 631, Okd; $10.

Dec. 7, 1897—Amelia and Jos. D. McCarthy to Louis H. Eggers, all int 480 acres being the NW ¼ the NE ¼ and SE ¼ Sec 32 Tp 4 S R 2 E, Murray Tp; $5.

Dec. 6, 1897—Juana H. Nevis to Jose R. Bernal, S Division st at NE cor lands of A. C. Sanchez by deed of Feb. 23, 1893, th SE 304.50 SW 258.90 NW 10 SW 4.50 NW 300 NE 281.90 to beg, containing 1.93 acres; beg at a point from which the SE cor of a tract of land of A. C. Sanchez bears NW 100 ft distant, th SW 96 ft to N line Rose av, th SE 200 NE 96 NW 200 to beg being lots 4 to 7 of Castro's Survey Rose av, town of Pleasanton, to correct former deed, Murray Tp; $10.

Nov. 18, 1897—Daniel Sheerin, executor estate Julia Cotter, to A. K. Percival, W Cypress st 1.. S W-10th st S 45 x W 163 being lot 27 blk 552, 8th st tract, Okd; $1,080.

Nov. 26, 1897—A. K. Percival to A. J. Samuel, same, Okd; $10.

Dec. 7, 1897—John J. Crowley to Bridget T. Crowley, N W-14th st 32 E Cypress st E 25 x N 110 blk 583, Okd; gift.

Nov 13, 97—Edward J and May C Brady to E G Vinzent, Okd Tp, lots 37 and 38 blk C, Sather tract subj to mtge, $5.

Jan 23, 97—W Andrew Knowles to Linda M A Knowles, Okd Tp, lot 1 blk 11, Broadway Terrace, $10.

Jan 23, 97—Same to Linda A Knowles, Okd Tp, SW Broadway and 4th av S 110 W to S 4th av NE to W Broadway to beg being lot 16 blk 1, Broadway Terrace, Warranty Deed, $10.

Oct 20, 97—Elizabeth K and J W Tompkins and Sarah H Burns to First National Bank of Oakland, Bklyn Tp. 62.81 acres beg at a pt on N line S anley road distant NW 29.02 ft from E extremity of center line of a tract of land 40 ft wide heretofore conveyed by Dowling Tomkins and others to the county of Alameda by deed recorded in 301 d 230 from which pt of beg, also the NE corner of tract of land heretofore conveyed by Richard Dowling to Gilbert Tompkins by deed recorded in 476 d 193, bears SE 40.01 ft th from pt of beg, SW 2,093.4 ft NW 1,272 ft NE 2,229.5 ft NE 120.6 ft SE 1,237.1 ft to beg, $10.

Dec 4, 97—Marcia J and W H Champion to Manuel da Rosa Oliveira, Wash Tp, 2 acres beg at a stake on S side main road Centerville to Niles at E cor lds of Wm Barry th 6.66 chs E 3 chs N 6.66 chs W 3 chs to beg, $500.

PROBATE.

4,826—Dec 7, 97—Estate Nellie E Reed, order confirming sale to Andrew Allen, lots 3, 4 and 5 Duncan Cameron tract, San Lorenzo, Eden Tp, $2,350.

MORTGAGES.

Dec 7, 97—Jose R Bernal to Solomon Harris, Murray Tp, S Division st at NE corner lands of A C Sanchez by deed of February 23, '93, th SE 294.50 feet SW 141.25 SE 10 SW 118.20 NW 10 SW 4.50 NW 300 NE 281.90 ft to beg, Town of Pleasanton.

Also in Murray Tp, beg at a pt from which the SE corner lds of A C Sanchez bears, NW 100 feet distant th SW 96 ft to N Rose av SE 200 NE 96 NW 200 to beg being lots 4 to 7 of Castro's survey Rose av, Town of Pleasanton.

Also in Murray Tp, W Main st at SE cor lds of Martin S 57 ft x W 210; all of above being ptns Plot 44 Bernal ptn Ro El Valle de San Jose, 1 year, 8 per cent, $2,000.

Dec 8, 97—Thomas Hardwick to Geo E Bates, Bkly, 20 acres beg at a pt on the shore of S F Bay at SW cor lds owned on July 18, '60 by J Noel th NE 41.20 chs to W line San Pablo road th SE 5.74 chs to div line of land hereof and lands then owned by Henry E Carlton th SW 41 chs to shore of bay th NW 4.13 chs to beg, being also described as comprising all of blks 141 to 149,152 to 166 map of sub of lds of T and E Hardwick in plot 53 Ro V and D Peralta, excepting lots 13 and 14 blk 142; lot 15 blk 144; lot 2 blk 155, and lot 22 blk 153, 1 year, 10 per cent, $8,500.

DEEDS OF TRUST.

Dec 8, 97—Isaac and Matilda Barnett to Isaac L Requa and W W Garthwaite, trs Okd Bank of Svgs, Okd, N 5th 100 W Franklin W 25 x N 100 blk 55, $500.

May 7, 97—Berlin Commercial Co (cptn) to James J Fagan and Edwin M Fretwell trs American Bk & Tr Co, E Okd, S cor 24th av and E-20th st SE 150 x SW 105 blk L, sub 50 Associates' tract, $23,000.

Apr'l 9, 97—F A Berlin to Same, Bklyn Tp, SE Washington and Bassett sts, E to W Brandon st, S to N Putnam st, W to E Bassett st, N to S Washington st and pt of beg, being blk 771 Levy tract, except lots 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 27 and 28 which have been sold, $8,500.

ESTATES.

5,490-D 4—Christoph Turk, probate of will, Babetta M. Turk, real and personal property, $7,000. H. H. Bruenn.

5,491-D 4—Kate E Kirkham to termination of life estate, Mary L. Yarde-Buller et al, real property. George T. Wright.

RELEASES.

May 4, 97—Alameda Savings Bank to John F Ward, Eden Tp, 455 m 473, blk 5, map of resub of Ward's Addn to Town of San Leandro, $1,000.

Dec 7, 97—Solomon Harris to Jose R Bernal, Murray Tp, 309 m 323, W Main st at SE cor lds of W H Martin S 75 x W 210 being ptn Bernal ptn plot 44 Ro El Valle de San Jose, $1,000.

Dec 4, 97—Columbian M B & L Assn to E J Hollenbeck, Ala, 636 m 200, NE Clay and Regent sts N 42 x E 131.7 being ptn Boulevard tract, $2,000.

Nov 13, 97—Est Rosaria Guitarte by admr to T da R and Maria da R Pereira, Wash Tp, 561 m 41, lots 2 and 3 blk A, Boardman's map of Mission San Jose.

Also in Wash Tp, strip of land conveyed to Costodio Pereira Gomez by John L Beard by deed recorded in 280 d 332, $400.

Dec 7, 97—Union Savings Bank to J H Flege, Okd Anx, 459 m 447, subs 1, 2, 3, 11, 12, 16, 23, 24, and 25 of subs 2, 3, 4, and 42 on map of sub of lots 2, 3, 4 and 42 Glen Echo tract, map 2, $2,500.

Marginal—W F and L Kroll to Robert Pfluger, Okd Anx 401 m 463, W Telegraph av 124 N 47th st N 26 W 168 S 27.8 E 160 to beg, blk 211g, Alden tract at Temescal, $1,000.

RECONVEYANCES.

Nov 20, 97— S F Savings Union to Henry G Fiske, Okd Tp, 557 d 61, lot 22 blk 2, Revised Map San Pablo Avenue Villa tract, partial, —.

Dec 8, 97—R J McMullen and W C Moody trs Oakland Loan & Investment Company to Claude V Wishart, Okd, 644 d 173, E Grove st 75 N 9th st N 25 x E 75 blk 115, $2,800.

MAP.

Dec. 8, 1897—Opening and widening E-21st st between W line 15th av and a line parallel with and 295.50 ft E from E line 13th av, E Okd, filed at request of J. W. Tompkins.

EXECUTION.

1,199—Dec. 8, 1897—R. B. Tappan vs. Dorothea Olsen, all int N Santa Clara av 64.3 W Encinal st W 40 x N 150, Ala; $25. Writ issued from Recorder's Court Alameda City, Ala.

RELEASE OF CHATTEL MORTGAGE.

Marginal—R. Franke to Wm. Franke and Adolph F. Kreye, Y pp m 73, personal ppty at ———; $100.

LIENS.

Dec. 8, 1897—Humboldt Lumber Co. vs. W. R. Nutting et al, S Durant av 200 E Bowditch st E 50 x S 130 blk 9, College Hd, Bkly; $116.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Dec. 6, 1897—H. B. Wagoner to Cala Wine Makers' corporation, transfer of 175,000 gallons wine at Livermore, Murray Tp.

AGREEMENTS.

Dec. 7, 1897—C. H. Ruppert with S. Morris & Co. as to sale of Ore Fino saloon at No. 423 12th st, between Broadway and Franklin, Okd, $500; $100 cash, $100 Dec. 11, 1897, $75 Jan. 1, 1898, and $75 first day of each month until paid at 10 per cent.

LEASES.

Dec. 8, 1897—Wm. Mann to Chas. A. Seifert, store fixtures, etc., at 453 13th st, Okd, 3 months after Dec. 8, 1897, $50 per month.

LIS PENDENS.

14,615—Dec. 5, 1897—Henry Matthews vs. Geo. Frankland et al, to foreclose 493 m 321, SW E-12th st, extended, distant SW 538 from a point on SW E-14th st distant SE 1439.85 from point of intersection of SW E-14th st with NW line 25th av, th NW 60 S W150 NW 80 SW 63.21 SE 140.32 NE 224.83 to beg, being a sub of Requa Hd. E Okd; $2,500.

CROP MORTGAGES.

Dec. 8, 1897—Frank F. Avila to N. Kalisky, 80 acres bounded N by county road No. 2000, E by lands of Augustin Bernal, S by lands of Bernal and W by private road leading from county road to lands farmed by Chinamen, ptn plot 43, Bernal ptn Ro El Valle de San Jose, Murray Tp, 10 months 9 per cent; $120.

SUPERIOR COURT ACTIONS.

14,615 D—Henry Matthews vs. George Frankland et al, as in lis pendens, $2,500; Metcalf & Metcalf.

JUDGMENT.

12,986—Alexander Anderson vs. Mary Anderson; decree of divorce.

12,719—Sadie A. Boyer vs. Wm. H. Boyer; same.

12,532—Ida O'Leary vs. Thos. O'Leary; same.

12,968—S. L. Rogers vs. Maria Rogers; same.

14,552—Harriet S. Hutton, etc., vs. John Schunck; of dismissal.

13,593—Louise Dorn et al vs Traction Engine Co.; dismissal without prejudice.

SHERIFFS SALES.

Dec 27, 97—O B Simpson vs Martin D Nichols et al, 29.58 acres beg at a post marked "RMDN" set in fence about 200 ft SE from SE cor Prune Orchard said post being on W line of a surveyed road leading from Prune Orchard to the Ranch House, th NW 54 ft to stake marked "R-157-M N" th NW 342.9 ft NW 133.1 NW 254.6 NW 161.4 NW 34.6 NW 319.5 NW 95 NW 168.1 NW 290.60 SW 203.30 SW 64 SE 1415 NE 79.8 to beg, being ptn Rankin Rancho, Wash Tp; 8.15 acres being lot 4 of Survey made on partition of lds Jos Nichols dec'd, Wash Tp; 20.69 acres beg at a pt on S bdry Ro Arroyo de la Alameda at NW cor lds heretofore of B D T Clough deed and NE cor lds Jos Nichols deed th with the meanders of Alameda crk NW 14.79 chs to Station 13 of said Ro th NW 4.70 chs SE 15.84 chs SE 11.86 chs SE 3.13 chs to NE cor lds of C Nichols, th NW 11.01 chs to beg, Wash Tp. At 10 A M in front of Court House.

COMMISSIONER'S SALES.

Dec. 11, 1897—Home Security B & L Assn vs. Jas. S. Long et al N Addison 80-5 W 10th st W31-10 N 100 E 34 S 100 to beg, tract B Bkly L & T I Assn, Bkly. At 10 A. M. in front of Court House.

Dec 11, 97—Louis Reiner vs Martin Rubanick et al, Lot 15 blk C, Peralta Park, Lot 23 Peralta Park, Southern Anx, Bkly; Also lot 23 blk B, Janes tct, Bkly. At 10 A M in front of Court House.

Dec 13, 97—David Anderson vs J A Eastman et al, Lot 10 blk D, Latham Terrace, Bklyn Tp. At 2 P M in front Court House.

Oakland Bank of Savings vs Estate Jennie E Phillips et al, NW 13th av 66.8 SW E-22nd st SW 33.4 x NW 120 blk 139, Clinton, E Okd. At 10 A. M in front of Court House.

Mary K Commins vs Francis J Woodward et al, SW E-17th st 200 SE 13th av SE 71.5 x SW 100 Clinton, E Okd. At 10 A M in front of Court House.

Dec 15, 97—Oakland Bank of Savings vs Estate Agnes Taylor et al, W Market, 338 N 24th S 56.4 W 125 N 56.4 E 125 to beg, blk 526 Okd. At 10 A M in front of Court House.

Dec 23, 97—Jane Birdsall vs John H Jacobson et al, Lot 6 blk N, Curtis and Williams tct, Okd. At 2 P M in front of Court House.

Dec 28, 97—Mary A Vanhoesear vs Daniel M Salmon, beg at a stake 75 SE from S cor "D" and Castro sts SE 60 x SW 150, Haywards, Eden Tp. At 10 A M in front of Court House.

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Notice is hereby given that the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the county of Alameda, State of California, will, at his office in the Hall of Records in the city of Oakland, in said county, receive plans, specifications, strain sheets and working details for the construction of a bridge crossing the estuary of San Antonio, on the extension of the line of Webster street, between the city of Oakland and the city of Alameda. The same to be presented and filed with said Clerk not later than Monday, January 10th, 1898, at 10 o'clock A. M. of said day.

Said bridge is to have a total length of 992 feet, with a swing span in the channel consisting of two openings, each of 150 feet in the clear. The width of roadway to be not less than 22 feet in the clear with 2, 5 foot sidewalks in the clear. Said bridge to be designed and proportioned to carry a concentrated load of twenty tons on two axles, 10 ft. centres on any part of the roadway. Provision to be made for a double track electric road. The stringers to be calculated for 1,050 lbs per lineal foot of each rail.

Notice is hereby given that a premium of $1,000.00 will be paid for the plans, specifications, strain sheets and working details adopted.

With each set of plans and specifications submitted, the person or firm submitting the same must deposit with the Clerk an estimate of the cost of the bridge upon such plans and specifications, and also a certified check for 10 per cent of such estimated cost, payable to Frank C. Jordan, Clerk of said Board, as a guarantee that such person or firm whose plans, specifications, strain sheets and working details are finally adopted, will, before the bids for such work are opened, furnish a good and sufficient bond for 25 per cent of such person or firm's estimated cost of such structure, the conditions of such bond requiring that if there be no responsible bids within the limit of the estimated cost, the person or firm whose plans, specifications, strain sheets and working details are adopted will pay to the said county of Alameda the difference between such person or firm's estimated cost and the lowest responsible bid submitted on the plans, specifications, strain sheets and working details presented by said person or firm.

Further notice is hereby given that all plans, specifications, strain sheets and working details received by the Clerk in sealed packages or envelopes for presentation to said Board of Supervisors, will be subject to the approval of the War Department of the United States in all details and particulars before final acceptance and adoption by this Board.

Further notice is hereby given that the plans, specifications, strain sheets and working details received by said Clerk not later than Monday, January 10th, 1898, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, will immediately thereafter by said Clerk be presented to the Board of Supervisors of the county of Alameda at the regular meeting of said Board.

(Seal) FRANK C. JORDAN,
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Alameda, State of California.

Dated Oakland, Cal., December 1st, 1897.

Executor's Notice of Sale of Real Estate.

Notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of an order of the Superior Court of the city and county of San Francisco, State of California, made on the 29th day of October, A. D. 1897, in the matter of the estate of Joseph Coblentz, deceased, the undersigned, the executors of the will of said deceased, will sell at private sale to the highest bidder, for cash, in gold coin of the United States, and subject to confirmation by said Superior Court, on or after the 28th day of December, 1897, all the right, title, interest and estate of the said deceased at the time of his death, and all the right, title and interest that the said estate has, by operation of law or otherwise, acquired since his death, in and to all that certain piece or parcel of land, situate in the city of Oakland, county of Alameda, State of California, described as follows:

An undivided one one hundred and twentieth of all that certain piece or parcel of land, situate in the city of Oakland, county of Alameda, State of California, described as follows:

Commencing at a point on the easterly line of Broadway street distant ninety-three (93) feet northerly from the corner formed by the intersection of said easterly line of Broadway street with the northerly line of Durant street, running thence northerly along said easterly line of Broadway street forty-six (46) feet and six (6) inches; thence at right angles easterly one hundred and fifty (150) feet; thence at right angles southerly forty-six (46) feet and six (6) inches; thence at right angles westerly one hundred and fifty (150) feet to the point of commencement; being part of lot two (2) in block E as said lot and block are delineated on a map entitled "A Map of Fountain Place, Oakland, Alameda County, State of California," filed in the office of the County Recorder of said county of Alameda on the 20th day of February, 1868.

Terms and conditions of sale: Cash, in gold coin of the United States; ten per cent of the purchase money to be paid to the undersigned on day of sale, balance on confirmation of sale by said Court. Bids or offers may be left at the office of E. H. Rixford, 530 California street, San Francisco.

ISIDORE W. LEVY,
FELIX COBLENTZ,
Executors of the will of Joseph Coblentz, deceased.

PROBATE NOTICE.

In the Superior Court of the county of Alameda, State of California.

In the matter of the estate of Christoph Turk, deceased.

Notice of time set for proving will, etc.

Notice is hereby given, that a petition for the probate of the will of Christoph Turk, deceased, and for the issuance to Babetta Margaretha Turk of letters testamentary thereon, has been filed in this Court, and that Monday, the 20th day of December, A. D. 1897, at 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, at the Court-room of Department No. 4 of said Court, at the Court House in the city of Oakland, in said county of Alameda, has been set for the hearing of said petition and proving said will, when and where any person interested may appear and contest the same.

Dated, December 8th, 1897.

FRANK C. JORDAN, Clerk.
By F. D. ADAMS, Deputy Clerk.
H. H. BRUENN, Att'y for Petitioner.

Stockholders' Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Oakland, California, will be held on Tuesday, January 11th, 1898, at 3:30 o'clock P. M., at the banking room, No. 1000 Broadway street, Oakland, Cal.

P. E. BOWLES, President.
L. G. BURPEE, Cashier.

PROBATE NOTICE.

In the Superior Court of the county of Alameda, State of California.

In the matter of the estate of Adelaide B. Ewing, deceased.

Notice of time set for proving will, etc.

Notice is hereby given, that a petition for the probate of the will of Adelaide B. Ewing, deceased, and for the issuance to S. Howard Ewing of letters testamentary thereon, has been filed in this Court, and that Monday, the 13th day of December, A. D. 1897, at 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, at the Court-room of Department No. 4 of said Court, at the Court House in the city of Oakland, in said county of Alameda, has been set for the hearing of said petition and proving said will, when and where any person interested may appear and contest the same.

Dated, November 29th, 1897.

FRANK C. JORDAN, Clerk.
By F. D. ADAMS, Deputy Clerk.

LEGAL.

NOTICE.

State and County Taxes for the Year 1897.

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES FOR the year 1897.

To all taxpayers in the county of Alameda, State of California.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Tax Collector of the county of Alameda, State of California, is in receipt of the assessment book of said county of Alameda, and that in accordance with the provisions of Section 3716 of the Political Code of the State of California.

Notice is hereby given that the assessment book for State and county taxes for the year 1897, on all property within the county of Alameda, has been received by me, and that the taxes as shown by said assessment book are now due and payable at my office in the Court House of said county of Alameda, in the city of Oakland, county of Alameda, State of California, every day (except legal holidays) during office hours, after the second Monday in October, 1897, and as follows:

The taxes on all personal property secured by real property and one-half of the taxes on all real property in the said county of Alameda, will be due and payable on the

SECOND MONDAY IN OCTOBER IN THE YEAR 1897.

At my office in the Court House of said Alameda county, situated in the city of Oakland, in said county, every day (not a legal holiday), during office hours as fixed by law, and will be delinquent on the

LAST MONDAY IN NOVEMBER, 1897,

At 6 o'clock P. M. of said day, and that unless paid prior thereto, fifteen per cent will be added to the amount thereof, and that if said one-half be not paid before the last Monday in April, 1898, five per cent will be added thereto.

And notice is further given that the remaining one-half of the taxes on all real property in said Alameda county for the year 1897 will be payable to the undersigned, Tax Collector of said Alameda county, as aforesaid, at the office of the Tax Collector, as aforesaid, on and after the first Monday in January, 1898, and will be delinquent on the

LAST MONDAY IN APRIL, 1898,

At 6 o'clock P. M. of said day, and that unless paid prior thereto, five per cent will be added to the amount thereof.

Notice is hereby further given that all taxes may be paid at the time the first installment, as herein provided, is due and payable.

And notice is hereby further given that in accordance with said Section 3746 of the Political Code of the State of California, and after the second Monday in October, 1897, all the taxes, whether first or second installment, before delinquency thereof, or, if delinquent, together with the percentage added thereto as is above set forth, may be paid to me at my office, as aforesaid, at any time during business hours as aforesaid, and after said

SECOND MONDAY IN OCTOBER, 1897.

And upon such full payment being made, full receipts for the taxes, both first and second installments, will be given in accordance with law.

Dated at Oakland, California, this 11th day of October, 1897.

JAMES B. BARBER,

Tax Collector of the county of Alameda, State of California.

Proposals for Furnishing Supplies.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of Industrial Home of Mechanical Trades for the Adult Blind will receive and open proposals and award contracts for supplying the Home for the coming six months and sixteen days, commencing December 14, 1897, and ending June 30, 1898, with the following articles: California and second quality Eastern broomcorn.

Bids will be opened on Tuesday, December 14, 1897, at 7:30 P. M., at the Home, corner Thirty-sixth street and Telegraph avenue, Oakland, Cal.

Blank forms with schedules of supplies required, with conditions, etc., can be had upon application to the Superintendent, J. C. Hays, at the Home.

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

All bidders for furnishing supplies are invited to be present at the opening of the bids.

By order of the Board of Directors.

H. R. HAVENS,
Secretary.

Notice of Sale of Real Estate.

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of an order of the Superior Court of the county of Alameda, State of California, made on the 9th day of August, 1897, in the matter of the estate of Margaret Cavanagh, deceased, the undersigned, administrator with will annexed of the said estate, will sell at private sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, gold coin of the United States, and subject to confirmation by said Superior Court, on or after the 18th day of December, 1897, at No. 479 Ninth street, Oakland, California, the office of said administrator, all the right, title and interest that the said estate has, or by operation of law or otherwise, acquired other than or in addition to that of the said Margaret Cavanagh at the time of her death, in and to all that certain lot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the city of Oakland, county of Alameda, State of California, and bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

Commencing at a point formed by the intersection of the southerly line of 12th street and the eastern line of Peralta street, running thence southerly along and with said line of Peralta street 83 feet; thence at right angles easterly 80 feet 1½ inches; thence northerly 82 feet 8½ inches to a point on said line of 12th street and distant thereon 76 feet easterly from said line of Peralta street; thence westerly along said line of 12th street 76 feet to the point of commencement. The same being lot No. 7 and the northerly 8 feet of lot No. 6 of block 556, Oakland city.

Terms and conditions of sale—Cash in gold coin of the United States. Bids or offers for said property must be in writing, and will be received by said administrator on or after the 18th day of December, 1897, at his office, No. 479 Ninth street, Oakland, Alameda county, California. The full amount must be paid upon the confirmation of the sale by said Superior Court.

Dated Nov. 29th, 1897.

HUGH M. CAMERON,
Administrator with the will annexed of the estate of Margaret Cavanagh, deceased.

PROBATE NOTICE.

In the Superior Court of the county of Alameda, State of California.

In the matter of the estate of John Tregloan, deceased.

Notice of time set for proving will, etc.

Notice is hereby given, that a petition for the probate of the will of John Tregloan, deceased, and for the issuance to Margaret O. Tregloan, John R. Tregloan and C. M. Kinne of letters testamentary thereon, has been filed in this Court, and that Monday, the 13th day of December, A. D. 1897, at 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, at the Court-room of Department No. 4 of said Court, at the Court House in the city of Oakland, in said county of Alameda, has been set for the hearing of said petition and proving said will, when and where any person interested may appear and contest the same.

Dated, December 1st, 1897.

FRANK C. JORDAN, Clerk.
By F. D. ADAMS, Deputy Clerk.
HAVEN & HAVEN, Attorneys for Petitioners.

FRATERNAL NEWS

Interesting Installations in the Order of Eastern Star.

COMING FORESTER FESTIVALS.

New Officials in Many of the Leading Secret Orders.

ACTIVITY IN THE GRAND ARMY.

Woman's Relief Corps Are Engaged in Charitable Work.

A number of interesting events in the fraternal world will be found recorded below.

Eastern Star.

Masonic Hall, Alameda, was filled last Wednesday evening with members of the Order of Eastern Star and their friends, who had assembled to witness the ceremony of installation of the officers elected and appointed by Carita Chapter, No. 115, O. E. S., to serve the ensuing year.

The officers are as follows: Mrs. Augusta Fletter, worthy matron; James B. Zarber, worthy patron; Mrs. Mary McFarland, associate matron; Mrs. Anna M. Zarber, secretary; Mrs. Louise Sevening, treasurer; Miss Della Nobmann, conductress; Mrs. Etta Wever, associate conductress; Mrs. Theresa Merwin, marshal; Benj. McFarland, chaplain; Miss Ada Nobmann, Adah; Mrs. Laura Brower, Ruth; Miss Lillian Lancaster, Esther; Mrs. Laura Brower, Martha; Mrs. Elizabeth Weber, Electa; Mrs. Mary Boehmer, warden; Henry Decker, sentinel; Miss Anna Spreckels, organist.

These officers were duly installed by worthy grand patron Brother Harrison D. Rowe, Past Matron Mrs. Louise Sullivan acting as grand marshal.

Past Matron Mrs. Ellen Storey then addressed the retiring matron, Mrs. Merwin, and, on behalf of the chapter, presented a beautiful past matron's jewel in token of appreciation of her untiring efforts for the welfare of the chapter.

Mrs. Merwin responded in well chosen words, thanking each and every officer for the assistance rendered, and the members for their kind remembrance.

Worthy Grand Patron Brother Rowe made brief remarks, which were followed by a vocal solo by Miss Pauline Grant, a recitation by Miss Olive White and a vocal solo by Miss Dora Churchman.

A delicious banquet followed, to which all were invited, the banquet hall presenting a beautiful appearance with its pretty decorations. Dancing followed, and a delightful evening was spent by Carita Chapter and its friends.

UNITY CHAPTER.

The installation of the officers of Unity Chapter, O. E. S., in Magnolia Hall, was a grand event in the history of the chapter. The hall was attractively decorated with potted palms, ferns and flowers, while the bright faces and gay dresses of the ladies made up a charming picture. Most Worthy Grand Matron Mrs. Mary E. Partridge was the installing officer, and she was ably assisted by Past Matron of Unity Chapter Miss Mary A. Moore in the capacity of marshal. The ceremonies were conducted in a most pleasing and impressive manner, Mrs. Partridge winning the admiration of all present by the gentle yet very effective manner in which she delivered the charges to each of the officers. Miss Moore discharged the duties of her office with grace, ease and dignity that gained for her the approbation of all her co-workers and friends. The new officers are: Josephine Velsir, W. M.; Alexander J. Pattison, M. P.; Annie McCord, A. M.; Emma A. Perkins, S.; Idelgona Berrata, T.; Emma Unphred, C.; Eunice Glines, A. C.; Georgie Willard, Adah; Florence Sankey, Ruth; Lida Sanborn, Esther; Helen Edwards, Martha; Mary Plumb, Electa; Louise C. Harlow, W.; Dr. Sanborn, sentinel; Joseph Unphred, C.; Hattie Hall, M., and Edith Edwards, O.

At the close of the ceremonies Mrs. Partridge, in a fitting speech, on behalf of the chapter, presented Mrs. Hattie Hall, the retiring matron, a very handsome jewel, emblematic of her rank as past matron. Joseph Unphred, the retiring patron, was also presented a jewel. Worthy Patron Harrison D. Rowe made the speech of the evening, and was followed by others, who were profuse in their compliments to the officers and members of the chapter. Past Worthy Grand Matron Mrs. Augusta Dunn Wilson then invited the company to a bounteous collation that awaited in the banquet room. There was no exception on this occasion to the well known generous hospitality of the chapter. All enjoyed themselves, and as one of the guests said: "We realized that there is much pleasure and many privileges in the grandest fraternity in existence, the Order of the Eastern Star."

Companions of the Forest.

Mizpah Circle, No. 18, C. O. F., held its semi-annual election of officers on last Tuesday evening for the term ending June 30, 1898. The officers elected were: Chief companion, Mrs. B. L. Kleigel; S. C. C., Mrs. Mary Hunter; recording secretary, Mrs. E. Norton; financial secretary, Mrs. Edna Patton; R. G., Miss May Cummins; J. G., Mrs. Jane Baxter; O. G., Mrs. M. E. Simpson; organist, Mrs. Dollie O'Connor.

Committees were appointed to perfect arrangements for the December social dance, to be given in the lodge rooms at Gier's Hall, on Tuesday evening, the 14th inst.

Native Sons.

The regular election of officers of Piedmont Parlor, No. 120, N. S. G. W., was held Friday evening, December 3, 1897, at Loring Hall. The following officers were elected for the ensuing term: W. H. S. Hynes, past president; D. W. Doody, president; William Holman, first vice president; D. C. Crawford, second vice president; B. Rathjen, third vice president; F. J. Hammerly, recording secretary; J. T. Fahy, financial secretary; W. Baccus, marshal; W. Sagehorn, inside sentinel; G. Planer, outside sentinel; B. Planer, treasurer; C. Kramm, trustee; A. S. Lee, J. C. Akerly, surgeons.

OAKLAND PARLOR.

The new officers of Oakland Parlor, Native Sons, are as follows: J. P. Cook, president; W. H. H. Gentry, first vice president; H. D. Cushing, second vice president; E. C. Williams, third vice president; Frank C. Jordan, marshal; Percy W. Hall, trustee; C. J. Lutgen, recording secretary; E. P. Cook, financial secretary; E. G. Harms, past president. The surgeons of the parlor are Dr. J. T. Kitchings, Dr. J. P. Dunn, Dr. R. O. Baldwin and Dr. J. L. Mayon.

Knights of the Maccabees.

The new officers of Alameda Tent of Maccabees are as follows: Past commander, F. A. Pritchard; commander, W. C. Gerrish; lieutenant commander, T. D. Weymouth; record and finance keeper, A. Mock; sergeant, Perry Withrow; master at arms, G. Helmnken; sentinel, Alfred Hay; picket, A. G. Smith.

Woman's Relief Corps.

The newly elected officers of Lyon Woman's Relief Corps for the ensuing year are as follows: President, Mrs. K. E. Dorety; senior vice president, Mrs. M. E. Coleman; junior vice president, Mrs. Tillie Coleman; treasurer, Mrs. Nellie Babcock; chaplain, Mrs. Louisa Smith; conductor, Miss Jessie Moore; guard, Miss Elaine G. Clarrage; first delegate, Mrs. Louisa Smith; second delegate, Mrs. Tillie Colemon; first alternate, Miss Emma Wells; second alternate, Miss E. Clarrage.

APPOMATTOX CORPS.

The new officers of Appomattox Relief Corps are as follows: President, Mrs. Mary S. Horton; senior vice president, Mrs. Mary E. Herr; junior vice president, Mrs. Fannie Vincent; treasurer, Mrs. Fannie Jones; chaplain, Mrs. Pamalia A. Wood; conductor, Mrs. Margarita Edgar; guard, Mrs. Ida M. Brown; delegates and alternates to convention, Mrs. M. E. Hew, Mrs. T. J. Knight, Mrs. Annie Goodwin, Mrs. C. Wilkins.

Grand Army of the Republic.

Lyon Post, No. 8, G. A. R., elected officers for the ensuing year at Loring Hall last Tuesday evening.

There was a very large and enthusiastic number of spectators in attendance.

The officers elected by the Post were as follows: Commander, R. A. Johnson; senior vice commander, P. W. Carroll; junior vice commander, H. L. Longfellow; chaplain, Rev. H. P. Danning; quartermaster, B. Judell; surgeon, John A. Robinson; officer of the day, H. W. Woodruff; officer of the guard, J. C. Darneal; representatives to the Department Encampment—J. C. McMullen, C. A. Ingerson, P. W. Carroll, L. Jurgens, E. G. Perkins. Alternates to Department Encampment—W. D. Adams, James Cahill, H. L. Longfellow, F. P. McFeeley, H. H. Woodruff; council of administration—Past Commander C. K. King, Past Commander W. H. H. Hussey; Past Senior Vice Commander W. Davenport, Past Commander J. A. Colquhoun; relief committee, J. F. Wood, Alfred Clark, E. G. Perkins.

APPOMATTOX POST.

The following are the new officers for the ensuing year of Appomattox Post, No. 50, G. A. R.: Ludwig Siebe, post commander; Peter Clarke, senior vice commander; William Erwin, junior vice commander; E. Hitchcock, quartermaster; Nicholas Ham, O. D.; Chas. Wilkins, surgeon; Levi P. Parritt, chaplain; Theo Woolvin, outer guard. Dr. Rabe was appointed delegate to the convention, with Benjamin Cary as alternate.

United Workmen.

Central Lodge, No. 251, A. O. U. W., will give a grand entertainment Monday evening, December 27th. The committee comprises Dr. G. W. Stimpson, Bayhlin, Harolon, James, Harrington and O'Donnell.

OAKLAND LODGE.

Oakland lodge No. 2 and Keystone lodge No. 64 met jointly Friday evening, the 2d inst., and initiated fifteen candidates.

This meeting was continued till Tuesday evening, the 7th inst., at the hall of Keystone lodge.

Although the weather was unfavorable, there was a large meeting at California lodge No. 1. There was a fine attendance.

At 9 o'clock sharp the guests were seated at the elegantly arranged and profusely laden tables.

Brother Ingler of Oakland lodge was selected toastmaster, and after the inner man had been sumptuously supplied, the following programme was excellently rendered:

Overture, piano, Brother La Rue of Keystone lodge; address, "Grand Overseer," Judge Bahrs of San Francisco; address, Past Master Workman Brother Matheson of Keystone; violin trio, "Symphony No. 2," Masters Schwartz, Husing, Blanther and Platner; address, Grand Medical Examiner Dr. J. L. Mayon; address, Dr. Swasey, Oakland Lodge; piano solo, Brother La Rue; address, Grand Master Workman W. C. Vinter of San Jose; address, District Deputy Grand Master Workman W. J. Hall; violin trio, "La Fiesta," Masters Schwartz, Husing, Platner and Blanther; address, G. C. Johnson, recorder Keystone; address, Eugene Lynch, financier of Keystone lodge; piano solo, Master Blanchet; address, Brother David Hirshberg, grand recorder; closing remarks, Brother Ingler of Oakland lodge, with the closing ode.

The evening's entertainment was fraught with pleasant reminiscences of the two lodges.

The violin playing of the Messrs. Schwartz, Husing, Platner and Blancher, accompanist, clearly showed that these young men are coming masters of this great instrument.

The speaking and singing of the visitors was up to date and all went home content that they had been well paid for braving the elements.

This meeting of these two lodges, hitherto somewhat remote from each other, has formed a lasting tie of fraternal feeling. It has aroused an era of prosperity and renewed activity. The members have concluded to make up another class and repeat their great success by the middle of January next, under the same line of action.

Masonic.

Brooklyn Lodge, No. 225, F. & A. M., at East Oakland, will install its newly elected officers Tuesday evening, December 14th. Master Masons are invited to attend.

Knights of Pythias.

On Wednesday evening, December 1st, Live Oak lodge No. 17 elected the following officers for the term commencing January 1, 1897, towit: Chancellor commander, Peter Staples; vice-chancellor, Albion S. Melly; prelate, Samuel Plante; master of work, John Sloan; K. of R. and S., Henry A. Holland (twenty-fourth term); master of finance, Isador L. Cavasso; M. of Ex., George Samuels; master at arms, Joe E. Painter; inner guard, Nath. Steinhardt; outer guard, Chas. J. Harrington; medical examiner, Geo. L. Eaton, M. D.; trustees, Jas. R. Sloan, Henry Maddern, Sr., Peter Mathewson.

Rathbone Sisters.

On Tuesday last Calanthe Temple No. 6, R. S., elected the following officers for the ensuing term, commencing January 1, 1898: M. Ex. chief, Annie Camp; excellent senior, Lucy Holland; excellent junior, Claribel A. Farno; manager, Nellie Bruce; master of R. and C., E. E. Getchell; master of finance, Lottie Climo; protector, C. A. Clark; G. O. T., Sophia Adams; trustees, Ella L. Wilson, Annie Journal, Lilly Samuels; past chief, Margaret Kleso.

Degree of Honor.

The drill team of Ivy lodge No. 4, Degree of Honor, A. O. U. W., initiated four new members Wednesday evening.

The team, although having several substitutes, never performed its work with more proficiency than on that occasion, which fact greatly delighted everybody present.

When the new attraction committee was about to present its programme for the evening the sad news was conveyed to the lodge that Sister Reichman's son had broken his leg. The distressed sister, who was one of the committee, hastily left the lodge and the programme was postponed.

Past Chief of Honor Mrs. A. A. Wood and Sister Mrs. Albertine Wood, the new attraction committee for next Wednesday evening, are getting up one of the best programmes of the season, and as many members as can do so are requested to be present, because many original and artistic numbers will be presented.

After the lodge had adjourned the members of the drill team held a most enthusiastic meeting at which the unanimous conclusion was arrived at that the team reorganize at once and re-elect the different minor officers on the 29th of this month.

It was also decided that in future the presiding officers of the lodge shall occupy the same positions on the team during their term of office. This last decision was received with hearty applause.

IMPROVEMENT CLUB SCORES A SUCCESS.

The Efforts to Introduce Street Sweeping by Hand Materialize.

The Oakland Improvement Club has been very successful in its efforts, through its Clean Streets Committee, to inaugurate the plan of having the principal streets swept by hand. Merchants on Broadway all the way from Seventh to Fourteenth streets have pledged themselves to aid in the movement, so that the new system can be put to the test in a few days. If it proves as succesful as is expected, Washington street will be included, after which the hand sweeping brigade will invade the cross-streets. It is estimated that the cost of sweeping and cleaning the streets by hand will be 5 cents for each twenty-five foot frontage.

Dr. Myra Knox, president of the society, is much pleased with the results obtained so far. She said:

"We are much pleased with the reception that has been given the Clean Streets Committee in its efforts to raise money to install the new and better system of street cleaning. All the merchants seem to be in sympathy with the movement. Readily they pledged amounts in proportion to their frontage.

"The actual work of sweeping and cleaning Broadway will be commenced now within a few days. There will be no difficulty about the funds for carrying on the work. Merchants have subscribed freely and the Council generously appropriated $150 to assist in the purchase of brooms and brushes.

"The work of securing pledges from the merchants and property owners on other streets will be comparatively easy for they can easily see how much the appearance of Broadway has been improved. Naturally they will want the street in front of their places of business to look as well as their Broadway neighbors."

TO READ ESSAYS.

High School Graduates Who Are to Represent the Class.

It has now been arranged that the essays to be read on graduation day at the High School will be presented by the following: Miss Agnes Pettit, Miss Ida Brooks, and Clinton de Lancey, who will represent the English department; Clarence Page and Miss Minnie Newman, who will read scientific papers; Miss Elsie Maegerstaedt, who will present a Latin translation, and Miss Bertha Marvin, who will read and comment on a passage from Homer.

The musical programme will be furnished by Miss Harriet Davis, Miss Bertha Marvin, and Miss Helen Powell. The exercises will be held on the 17th.

The class Aegis will be a very attractive one. It will have from sixty to eighty pages, with the usual class pictures, prophecy, history, literary productions, etc.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

C. H. Davis is in Nevada City for a short stay.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Bellows of Acampo have been viting their daughter, Mrs. Allardt, in this city.

Miss Jennie Britton is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Jacobson, of Bethany.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Thompson and Miss K. C. Tyrrell of this city are registered at the Auditorium, Chicago.

Rev. Father McNally attended the funeral of Caius Tacitus Ryland in Santa Clara Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Hart, T. M. Crawford, F. P. Marsh of the city are registered at the Commercial Hotel, Stockton.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Garrettson are visiting relatives in San Diego.

The Bible Conference.

Rev. J. K. Knodell of this city made the opening address Tuesday evening at the Pacific Coast Bible Conference Association, held in the First Baptist Church, San Francisco. He had chosen for his subject "Seven Pillars of Wisdom."

ARSON OR ROBBERY?

The Plunder Sought for at Ellis Island Fire $10,000,000.

ALL IN RAILROAD TICKETS.

Supposed to Have Been Stolen Instead of Being Burned in the Fire.

A TELL-TALE TICKET FOUND.

Its Unexpected Appearance Gives a Clew to the Crime.

By Associated Press to The Tribune.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—"Facts have come to light that suggest the possibility of the mysterious fire which destroyed the great immigrant buildings on Ellis Island a few months ago was started by thieves who had carefully planned a $10,000,000 robbery," says the Journal and Advertiser to-day.

"Ten of the trunk lines leading to the West, including the New York Central, the Pennsylvania, the Erie, the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western and the New York Ontario & Western unite in maintaining a railroad office on the island, and, at all times, there are quantities of tickets there.

General Ticket Agent Robinson of the Ontario & Western, said last night that, on the night of the fire, a conservative estimate would place the value of the tickets in the Ellis Island office at $10,000,000.

"The tickets, with much cash, were locked in drawers in wooden cases and desks, and the entire parcel was supposed to have been totally destroyed. The different roads posted notices that, if tickets of a certain form and series should be presented, they should be taken up and full-fare demanded.

A few days ago a ticket issued by the Ontario & Western, reading 'from Chicago to Kansas City,' was received from a passenger and afterwards found to be one of the tickets supposed to have been burned. The part of the ticket calling for passage from 'New York to Chicago,' has not yet been presented.

"Now, the railroad officials are asking how many other tickets out of the $10,000,000 worth are in existence.

"It is deemed not impossible that the entire number was stolen and held until conductors should forget the warning.

"Former Commissioner Senner, who was in charge of Ellis Island at the time of the fire, 'deems the hypothesis by no means improbable.

"'The origin of the fire was never learned,' he said. 'It began in a tower of the main building at some distance from the offices occupied by the railroad people. Every one of the Government guards were busy getting the immigrants out safely, and, of course, left the railroad office alone. It is not impossible that thieves deliberately started the fire in the expectation, justified by events, that the ticket office would be quickly deserted.'

"General Ticket Agent Robinson, of the Ontario & Western, said he could scarcely believe that any such wholesale robbery had taken place. 'I have communicated with other roads and they have had no such tickets presented as yet. I think it more likely that the report of sales for the day preceding the fire was not correct. Of course, though, it is somewhat odd that that ticket, if it was honestly disposed of, should not have turned up sooner. A close investigation will be made.'"

THE PLEASURES OF THE FOOTLIGHTS.

Louis James in a Stirring Play and "Fra Diavolo" at the Oakland.

No more prolific field is furnished the dramatist than that intensely interesting and romantic period of France, the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries. It is that period that has given so many writers of fiction and romance material for their imagination and flights of fancy, as it is likewise the period on which the historian delights to dwell in his chronicles of stirring incidents. In his new play by Espy Williams entitled "A Cavalier of France," Louis James presents a striking reflection of scene and incidents in the court of Henry III in 1585. The play is said to be remarkable for its motive and dramatic episodes, based on historical facts, and introduces a number of characters familiar to every student of French history. It will be presented at the Macdonough Theater by Mr. James and his excellent company on next Monday night with every attention to scenic and historic detail. The engagement is limited to two nights. "Spartacus" will be given on Tuesday.

THE OAKLAND.

The presentation of "Fra Diavolo" at the Oakland is perhaps on a greater scale of excellence than has thus far characterized any of the operas that have preceded it in this season.

The opera is richly dressed, superbly mounted, and the acting is on a scale of excellence which leaves nothing to be desired. The singing, notwithstanding the difficult arias and choruses, is remarkably fine. The death of "Fra Diavolo," which character is played by Frank Valerga, where he rolls from the cliff down a series of ledges and then snatches a weapon from a carbineer and kills his associate, who he believes has betrayed him, is tragic in the greatest idea.

Miss Merrill has a congenial and pretty part as Mrs. Allcash. She presents an attractive appearance in the pretty gowns in which she appears, and sings her arias with the sweetness and expression of an artist.

Special Agent.

At the meeting of the Children's Home Finding Society of California held yesterday in San Jose, Mrs. A. A. Loring of this city was elected special field agent.

TEACHERS' INFLUENCE IS BENEFICIAL.

Rev. Brown Says the Schools Are Not Godless as Charged.

The regular monthly meeting of the Alameda County Teachers' Benefit Association was held yesterday afternoon at the High School. Rev. Charles R. Brown addressed the teachers on the perils which threaten the public schools. He refuted the charge that is often made that the public schools are godless, saying that such a statement is both unjust and untrue. "It is impossible," said he, "for the teacher to associate daily with the children in the class room and not have some degree of influence upon them for good."

Owing to the unsettled condition of beliefs, he said, it was impracticable to teach religion in the schools. The first peril, he thought, lies in the tendency of making education merely formal instead of real and vital, as it should be. Children learn words and terms only. It is like learning the doctrines of a church without getting the Christian spirit. Danger he thought is in the kindergarten system. The teachers are prone to descend to the level of the children and there lose influence and power as instructors. It is better to adopt methods of imparting ideas which make the children look up and inquire and keep close attention rather than to make things so easy that they can understand them without trouble.

In conclusion he gave it as his opinion that confusion is caused by the too numerous courses which are offered. The University crowds back upon the High School and the High School upon the Grammar Schools. Confusion is thus inevitable, and this, with other conditions, leads to a loss of originality in the child.

ALL-NIGHT BOATS NOT IN DEMAND.

Mr. Cuvellier Interviews the Company on Many Topics.

Feels Sorry for the Man That Misses the Last Boat.

Councilman Cuvellier has been making some inquiry of the Southern Pacific Company regarding its plans for the extension of the ferry system. He was somewhat surprised at some of the facts he learned and said last night:

"It seems to me there is some reason in the claim that it will require some time and a very considerable expense to prepare for this extra service. One item alone will be the providing of at least three additional and possibly six additional trains for the rail service in connection with the boats; that is to say, one or two trains on each of the broad gauge branches, towit, Berkeley, Oakland and Alameda, and I must confess that while I am anxious to see this service go on as promptly as possible, it seems to me that we of Oakland should not unreasonably expect the Southern Pacific Company to perform impossibilities, and should be satisfied at the present time with the evidence we have of the efforts being made by it to improve the service.

"I find as to the all-night or 1 o'clock service, that the company takes the position that if there was any urgent demand for later service, or service during the whole night, they would certainly meet it. They do not seem to believe, however, that there is any very urgent demand for such service or that if later boats were put on they would be patronized sufficiently to warrant the extra expense. They seem to have read the papers and to have discovered from interviews heretofore published that the people of Oakland are by no means unanimous in their support of the agitation that has been made for all-night service. They appreciate that the fellow who misses the last boat is in a bad fix with the power at home, to whom he has to account for his movements, but they hardly think it fair that they should be charged with keeping the peace in Oakland households when the lord and master staid out too late or has taken a drink too much.

"Another matter that surprised me very much were some statements of ferry service that were shown me when I made the assertion that this business had increased so enormously in the past few years that it seemed to me the Southern Pacific Company would be warranted in running boats all night between Oakland and San Francisco. I was shown statements showing passengers carried for a number of years back, and was surprised to find that at the present time they are practically carrying no more passengers than they did three or four years ago. The number of passengers carried across the ferry during 1896 shows only a trifling increase (about 3 per cent) over the total carried in 1894, and at the reduced ferry rates, which went into effect in 1893, there is shown an actual decrease in revenue over this branch of the service of nearly 9 per cent."

A Banjo Artist.

The well-known banjo player, Alfred A. Farland, will give a recital at the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium in this city Friday evening, December 10th. Mr. Farland has the distinction of being the first to play the classic music of Bach and Beethoven and of Mendelssohn on the banjo. R. Fletcher Tilton, piano accompanist, will assist Mr. Farland. Professor Charles F. Graeber's banjo, mandolin and guitar orchestra will also appear.

A Correction.

A typographical error was made in Mr. Gamble's communication to the Tribune on Tuesday. It should have read: "If the Adams property is worth $5,000 per acre, the price now asked for the Sather tract, not over 3,000 feet from it, should be at least one third as much."

A Broken Leg.

R. M. Reischman, the 14-year-old son of Matthias Reischman, who resides at 1740 Linden street, had one of his legs broken last night while playing the game of "black man" with some boy companions.

FOR BETTER STREETS.

Superintendent Miller Issues a Circular Letter to Citizens.

Superintendent of Streets Miller has issued the following circular letter with reference to street improvements to the property owners of the city:

"Dear Sir: Contracts have been awarded for the permanent improvement of East Twelfth street and for redressing several of our worn-out macadamized streets, therefore the work of rejuvenating the streets of Oakland may be said to be fairly under way. In this connection it is now my intention to recommend to the City Council that a number of the blocks in the business section of the city upon which the macadam is practically worn out, be permanently paved at the expense of the property owners. It is hardly worth while to remacadamize streets in the business part of the city, and the present condition of the blocks hereinafter mentioned renders their permanent improvement absolutely necessary if we are to have good streets.

"I desire to ascertain from the property owners affected if there will be any opposition to this work, and if not, what their preference may be in reference to the kind of pavement to be built. Asphalt wood block and bitumen, all laid on six inches of concrete, are the pavements included in the new specifications ordinance which is now before the Council, and I will be pleased to know which of these you may prefer. My recommendation to the City Council will include the following streets: Eighth, Seventh and Ninth streets between Franklin and Broadway; Fourth and Second streets between Franklin and Washington; Fifth street between Broadway and Washington; Twelfth street between Franklin and Webster; Twelfth street between Washington and Clay; Thirteenth street between Franklin and Webster; Eighteenth street between San Pablo and Telegraph avenues. Yours very truly,

"M. K. MILLER."

Bridge Approach Washed Out.

The rains of yesterday morning washed the approach of the Eighth street bridge away and an express wagon sank over the hubs in attempting to cross. Streetcars were blocked for some time before the wagon could be removed. Police Officer Jacobus notified the Superintendent of Streets and the Fire Department. The latter he told not to attempt a crossing at that point. Lights were put up on one side and between tracks, the other side being left without warning. At an early hour Harry Crandall drove into the other side and was thrown out. His wrist was badly sprained, his wagon was broken and his horse was badly scared from floundering in the mud.

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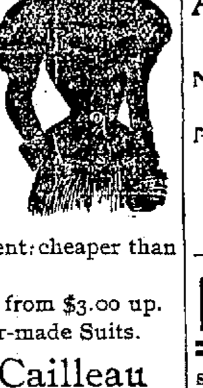

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